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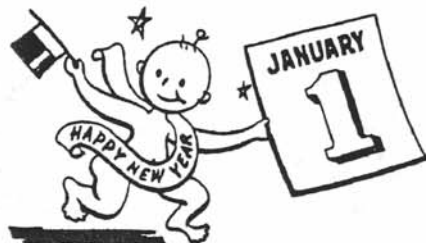
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MONTH

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Glenshee
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March

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



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From the Bridge



“A Big Thanks!”

CDR Phil Ray

***I** just wanted to take a few moments of your time to highlight the activities of certain members of the Edzell community who went out of their way to help make the Christmas season something special for a lot of us.*

First, a big thanks to Martha Faust and Theresa Strathearn who organized the Christmas cookie distribution for all of our folks in the barracks and watchstanders who had to be in their work-spaces instead of with family and friends. They did a great job of gathering, packaging and divvying up the goods. They were helped in the distribution process by the base scouting organizations who braved the cold, snowy conditions to get the job done.

Next, the Chapel organization and the Chief's Spouses Club each sponsored an “angel tree,” which provided presents to kids from the local communities who otherwise would not have enjoyed as

bountiful a Christmas. Elsewhere in the *Tartan Log* you will find letters from some of the individuals who benefited from the efforts of organizations. They express the heart of the matter much more eloquently than I ever could.

Also, the CPOA sponsored food baskets for needy individuals throughout the local area. I know most of you contributed to this effort in one way or another which reached out to 174 folks (see those letters I talked about on page 32).

Finally, I'm sure most of you noticed the white, government step vans that were everywhere around the housing areas

throughout the holidays. That was your Public Works team doing everything humanly possible (and I think they threw in a couple of miracles to boot) to contain the affects of our White Christmas. These sailors worked around the clock over the entire holiday period so that we could stay warm and cozy and dry. Although we did have a few homes suffer damage, all you had to do was check the news on TV to know how successful these folks were in their efforts. Sooo - next time you're at Public Works or see them out and about

make sure you say thanks.

In closing I want all of you to know how pleased I was and how proud I am of each of you in keeping this holiday season safe. Even with the difficult weather conditions, we had no personnel casualties and only a couple of very minor fender benders.

Great job!

We have a challenging year ahead of us. Let's continue to be safe and keep the team effort focused on the job at hand. Keep chargin!

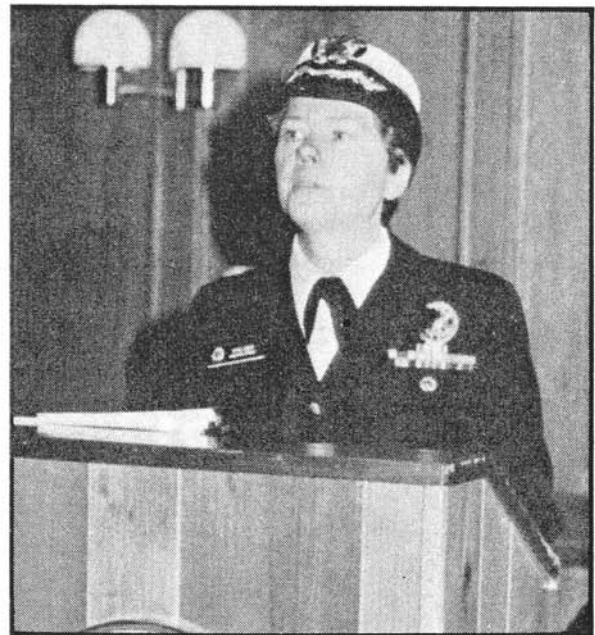


Classic Owl Change of Charge

On 1 December, 1995, the U.S. Naval Security Group Support Detachment (NSGSD) FOUR hosted a Change of Charge ceremony. LT Thomas M. Ertel was relieved by LT Michele A. Daley-Ryan as Classic Owl's Officer in Charge.

LT Ertel will be reporting for duty to the USS MISSISSIPPI (CGN-40) as the Signals Warfare/Intelligence Officer. Enroute to the USS MISSISSIPPI, he will be attending three courses of instruction at the Naval Technical Training Center Corry Station, Pensacola, Florida.

LT Daley-Ryan's most recent assignment, before coming to Edzell, was at the Navy Liaison Office, working for the CNSG Assistant Chief of Staff for Planning, Programming and Budgeting. She completed the CLASSIC OWL course at Winter Harbor, Maine, before transferring to NSGSD Edzell.



CDR Dorothy E. Walizer, Executive Officer, Naval Information Warfare Activity, Washington, D.C. was the guest speaker.



(above photo) LT Thomas M. Ertel was relieved by LT Michele A. Daley-Ryan as Classic Owl's Officer in Charge.

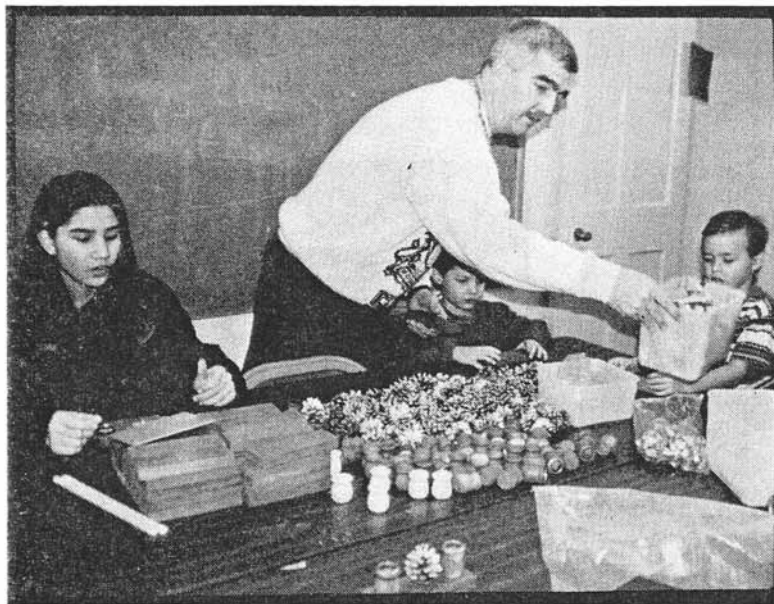


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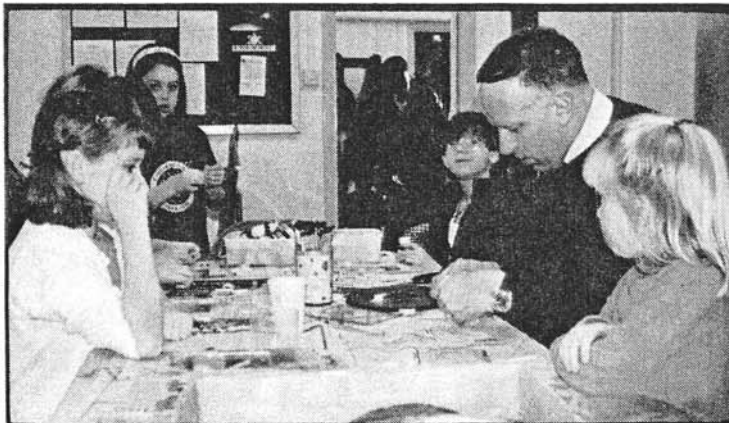
Christmas Crafts Fair

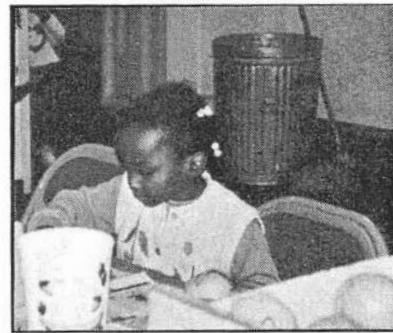
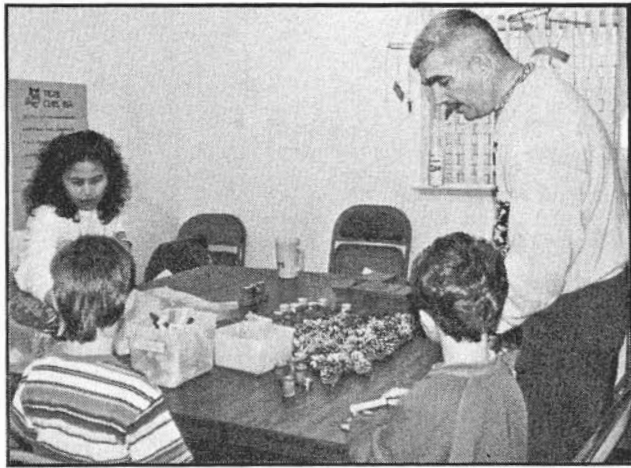
On a cold and gray December afternoon, the Chapel of Faith was a beehive of activity as the Chapel held its annual Christmas Crafts Fair. Young and old took their turns at a variety of craft projects, from a Victorian Orange Pomander (old fashioned air-freshener) to small scale stained glass projects, hand rolled beeswax candles, Scandinavian woven paperhearts and pinecone candle centerpieces. Hot cider helped warm up the wintry afternoon.

by Chaplain Hubbard



*Special thanks to our
volunteer craftspersons;
Deborah Holder, Diane
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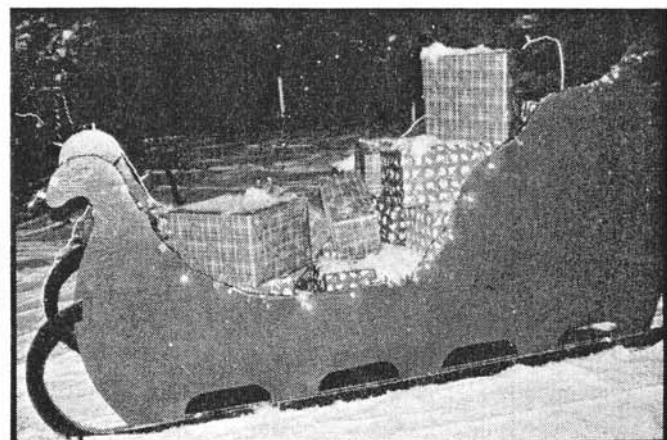
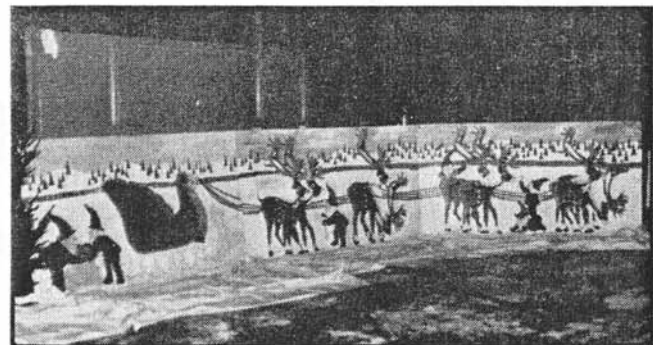


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First and second grades from Halsey School witnessed the lighting of NSGA Edzell's Christmas Tree.

Santa's Village and Workshop

The annual Santa's Village and Workshop was held 2 December in the base gymnasium. Along with an opportunity to meet Santa, children had the chance to buy Mom and Dad those special Christmas gifts from the Workshop. Greeting visitors to Santa's Village were Santa's helpers, the elves. The elves guided the children through Santa's village, stopping along the way to visit Mrs. Claus and receive cookies from her. Other highlights from the tour were Santa's Toy Shop, the reindeer, a sled full of toys and of course, sitting on Santa's knee to whisper their Christmas List.

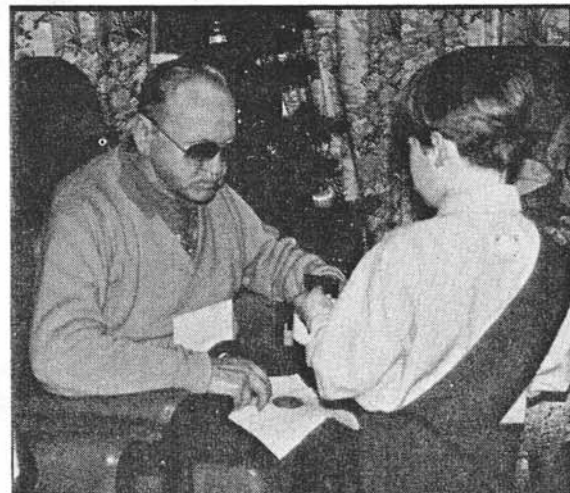




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A Dorward House Christmas

The Edzell Girl Scouts and the Chief Petty Officer Association (CPOA) enjoyed an evening of song and celebration on 14 December at Dorward House. The Scouts, after singing a variety of Christmas Carols, helped serve tea and homemade desserts. This is the second year that the Scouts and CPOA have joined forces to provide a special evening for the Dorward House residents that will be remembered for years to come. One person commented, "The folks at the Edzell base provide the community with so much support. We will miss them when they leave." Residents were still in high spirits the next day when they



talked about all the children coming to visit them. The assistant administrator commented, "The residents really look forward to their visits to the Ship's Inn, and also to the base personnel visiting them at Dorward House each month."

On 7 December, Santa Claus made a special visit to all the residents who were unable to travel to the Ship's Inn for the CPOA annual Christmas Dinner. He warmed their hearts with a big hug and a special gift for each person. Afterwards, Santa, with elves by his side, visited the Ship's Inn where the residents enjoyed a delicious dinner, singing and dancing. The afternoon ended with lots of

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gifts, donated by CPOA members, being given out to all the Dorward House residents.

A great big thank you is extended to all the Scouts, Scout leaders, Chief Petty Officers, and Families who make special events like these a success.



Christmas Caroling

On a very snowy Thursday evening, a group of dedicated carolers gathered at the Chapel of Faith for their annual Christmas Caroling. While snowy and slippery roads precluded a bus trip to Brechin housing, the carolers made the rounds of Edzell housing where their ranks gradually swelled. Father Hummer joined in early and, with the other carolers, helped make a joyful noise. While the snow may have muffled the music, spirits were merry. The base was transformed into a winter wonderland by the steadily falling snow. For those families who gathered at their doors and windows, the sight and sound of carolers on a snowy evening added a special touch and memory to the holiday season.

by Chaplain Hubbard



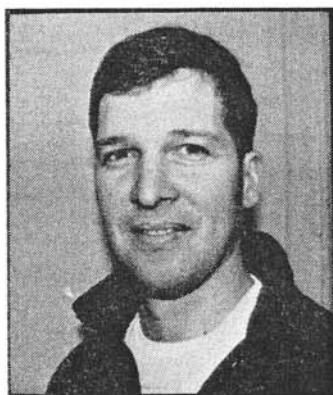
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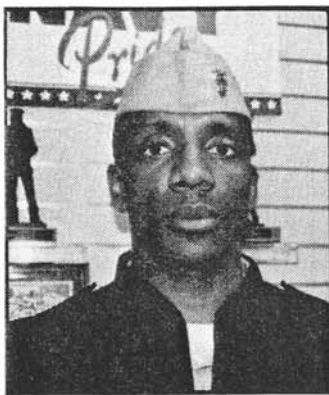
Edzell Expressions

Question of the Month: There have been 10 U.S. Presidents since the end of WWII. Of these, how many were prior Naval Officers? Can you name three?

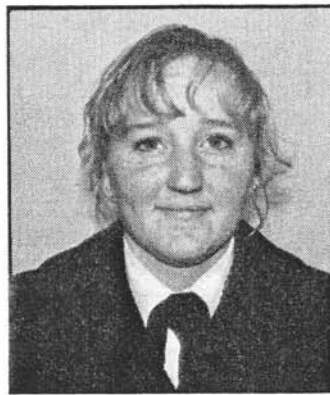
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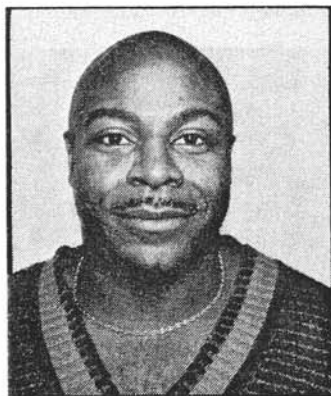
LCDR Eric Nordstrom
"6, Ford, Carter, Bush"



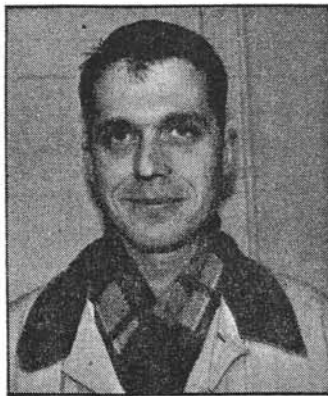
SHCM Clinton Taylor
"6, Kennedy, Carter, Bush"



CTOSN Darla McHenry
"4, Kennedy, Johnson, Bush"



RP2(SW/AW) Michael Petty
"4, Kennedy, Johnson, Bush"



SrA Gene Lehman
"3, Kennedy, Ford, Bush"



CTO3 Tina Anderson
"4, Kennedy, Nixon, Bush"

Answer: 6 of the last 10 Presidents were prior Naval Officers; Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Ford, Carter, and Bush.

Viewfinder

A focus on the men and women of RAF Edzell



- CTR1 Heather Brewer -

Meet CTR1 Heather Brewer. CTR1 Brewer was born and raised in Olcott, New York. In May 1984, she joined the Navy for the financial stability it offers. She is currently working as 31 Division LPO, 30 Department Career Counselor, raising three children and supporting her husband, CTRC Don Brewer, in his Naval career. CTR1 Brewer's previous duty stations include bootcamp at Orlando, Florida, "A" school at Pensacola, Florida, NSGA Pyong Taek, Korea, NSGA Kunia, Hawaii, "C" school at Fort Meade, Maryland and a tour at NSGA Fort Meade, Maryland. If she could choose a different career field, she would choose to be a counselor as she enjoys helping people. Heather's hobbies include volleyball, sports in general and playing with her three children. When asked what she likes about Scotland, she replied, "I love feeling safe. . . no fear of someone stealing my car, taking my children or breaking into my house. The people are friendly and warm. The whole country is absolutely beautiful!" CTR1 Brewer's career plan is to transfer to the Fleet Reserve after 20 years, as a Master Chief or LDO. We asked Heather what she would do if she were CDR Ray for one day. She planned herself a very busy day, starting with implementing an NSGAE instruction ceasing the JSOQ and SSOQ awards and making sure the evals reflect such personnel. She would also implement guidelines allowing taping of GMT's for watchstanders, thus allowing them to view the tapes on the watch floor. Accountability for viewing would be passed to the OWO, OWC's or supervisors. Heather would then promulgate a memo asking for volunteers to stand straight OOD eve and mid watches on the Quarterdeck. Eves would run Monday through Friday and mids would run Sunday through Thursday. Working E-6's would supplement the Quarterdeck on weekends, holidays and leave timeframes. Next, Heather would take time out of her busy schedule to do her PRT. "See, if I was CDR Ray for one day, I would definitely run the PRT . . . after all, I couldn't come close to scoring a 295, so what better time to do the PRT than when I am him! Of course, my day as CDR Ray would be the Friday before a long weekend, so I'd go ahead and take the rest of the afternoon off; maybe find a child minder and take my spouse to 'Beefeaters' for dinner." Petty Officer Brewer also said she would encourage the "Tartan Log" to publish more



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"Viewfinder" articles focusing on the children at NSGA Edzell. She feels it is a refreshing break from the military interviews. We asked Petty Officer Brewer who her role model is and she told us she hasn't had a role model, she always tries to do the best in any job assigned to her. When asked where she sees the Navy in 10 years, she feels that with the drawdowns going on, the services will be consolidating jobs to stop the overlapping and redundancy in efforts. "Who knows, maybe the Navy will take over the Air Force someday."

- CTT1 Larry Matthews -

Meet CTT1 Larry Matthews, 35 Division's Technical Support LPO. CTT1 Matthews was born and raised in a small town near Big Rapids, Michigan. He joined the Navy in 1979, under the Delayed Entry Program, and went to bootcamp in Orlando, Florida in October, 1980. CTT1 Matthews' major reasons for joining the Navy were for the technical training and job opportunities, and to follow in his father's footsteps. We asked Larry where he's been stationed previously, and he said, "With my tour here at Edzell, I have completed the 'Classic Wizard World Tour,' with duty at Winter Harbor, Maine; Adak, Alaska; Guam, Marianas Islands; and Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory." When asked if he would change anything if he had it to do all over again, Larry replied, "I'd choose a career field where I would get more 'hands-on' type of work, like the Seabees." Larry rates music as his number one hobby, however, he also enjoys camping and hiking with his family and exploring old castle ruins. "I really take advantage of the long summer days," he said. When he transfers, CTT1 Matthews would like to work as either an instructor or a recruiter. He feels either job assignment will provide the challenges he enjoys and will be a chance to make a difference in the Navy. CTT1 Matthews has had no single person for a role model. "I try to take what I see as a person's strong points and fold them into my own leadership style." If he could be CDR Ray for one day, CTT1 Matthews



Photography by CTT1 Laura Gray

would change the structure of the Quarterdeck Watchbill. When asked where he sees the Navy in 10 years, Petty Officer Matthews replied, "With the 'right-sizing' and budget cuts, I believe we'll evolve into one unified service. I'm just not sure how the other services will like wearing crackerjacks."

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s

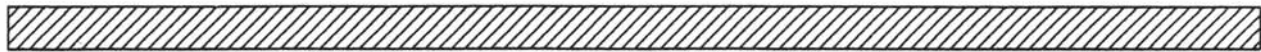


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Congratulations!



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**Joint Service
Achievement Medal**

CTT2 Dane Stone

**Navy and Marine Corps
Achievement Medals**

CTA2 Brandy Wesloskie
GySgt John Parsons
CTO1 Stephen Switzer
CTR2 Brian Black
CTM2 Donna Hull
CTO3 Mary Bennett
CTM2 Geraldine Lanham

Gold Hash Marks

MS2 John Menley

Fleet Letters of Commendation

CTR3 Michael Cillessen
CTR3 Tina Prew
CTM2 Gregory Sand
CTO3 Marcus Carey

Good Conduct Medals

EW2 Larry Bartlett
CTO2 Eugene Brown
CTT2 Eric King
CTM2 Hartman
CTR3 Jeffery Tritthart
CTM3 Melissa Powell
CTI2 Janina Jakstas
CTT2 Jason Roach
CTO3 Lori Perez

(opposite page) (top photo, front row, L-R) CTM2 Gregory Sand, CTM2 Terry Hartman, CTO1 Stephen Switzer, MS2 John Menley, CTR2 Brian Black, (back row, L-R) CTM3 Melissa Powell, CTR3 Jeffery Tritthart, CTO3 Marcus Carey, CTM2 Geraldine Lanham, CTO3 Mary Bennett, and CTM2 Donna Hull. (bottom photo, front row, L-R) CTI2 Janina Jakstas, CTT2 Dane Stone, GySgt John Parsons, CTT2 Eric King, CTA2 Brandy Wesloskie, (back row, L-R) CTO3 Lori Perez, EW2 Larry Bartlett, CTR3 Tina Prew, CTO2 Eugene Brown, CTT2 Jason Roach, and CTR3 Michael Cillessen.

Reenlistments This Month



During the month of November 1995, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended for a minimum of two years.

by *CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton*

CTO1 Stephen Switzer

CTM2 Ira McDaniel

CTM2 Donna Hull

CTO1 John Catlin

CTM2 Gregory Sand

MA1 William Van Syckle



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Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

CDR Drake, Executive Officer, NSGA Edzell, congratulates MA1 William VanSyckle (right) on his reenlistment.

Petty Officer First Class Promotions



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Petty Officer Second Class Promotions



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Petty Officer Third Class Promotions



CDR Phil Ray presents a command plaque to departing Ombudsman, Mrs. Susan Wood.



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A Walk for Red Cross

On the morning of September 3, 1995, Navy Wives Club of America (NWCA) members Helen Wright and Jane Burnett, supported by Bobby Campbell and DPC Keith Wright, set out on a 20 mile sponsored walk to raise funds for the British Red Cross.

Sore muscles and many blisters later, Helen and Jane finished the walk, raising over L600.00 for this worthy charity.

The NWCA Scottish Thistle #239 members wish to express our sincere appreciation to Helen and Jane, and to everyone who sponsored these two in this worthwhile endeavor.

by Gina Pardun



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(top photo) Jane Burnett, left, and Helen Wright, center left, present a check for L616.49 to Brechin Red Cross representatives. (left photo) (L-R) Helen Wright, DPC Keith Wright, Jane Burnett, and Constable Bobby Campbell.

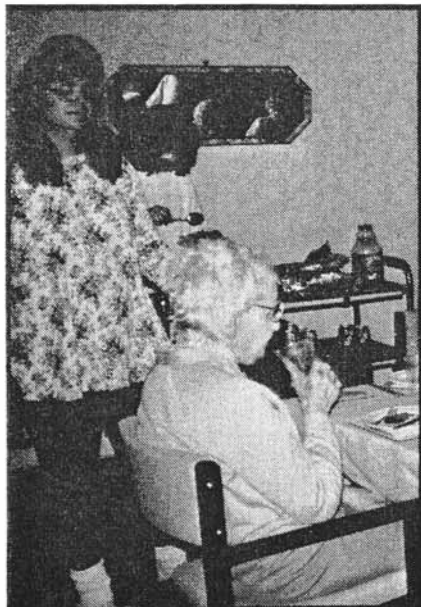
Christmas Dinner at St. Drostens

The Navy Wives' Clubs Of America (NWCA), Scottish Thistle #239, celebrated Thanksgiving with the staff and residents of St. Drosten's Old Age Pensioner's Home in Brechin. The traditional Thanksgiving Dinner of turkey, yams, apple pie, and the works was dished out to these wonderful people on November 26, 1995. This cultural exchange is a major community relations endeavor the NWCA undertakes annually and was enjoyed by the served and servers alike!



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Gina Pardun*

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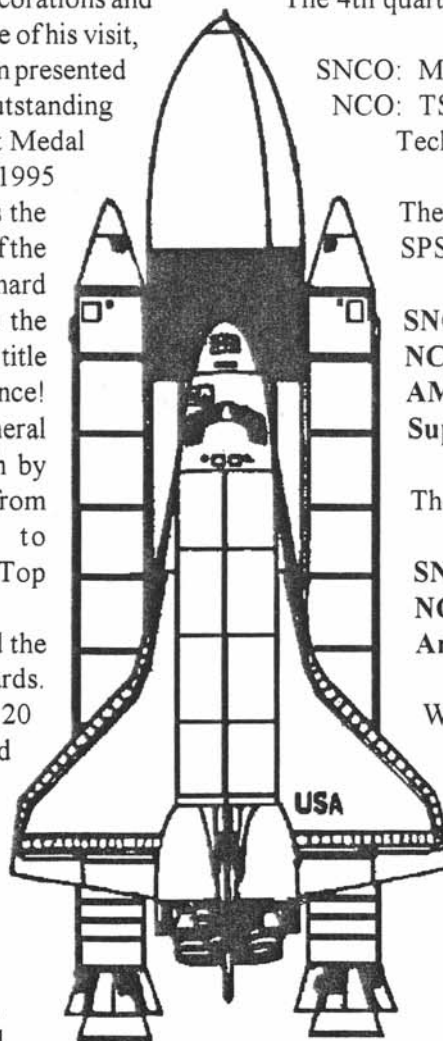


(above photo), (L-R) Ena Wilkie, Teana Biecker, Helen Wright, Kim Wilkinson, and Gina Pardun

Air Force Corner

This has been an exciting time at the Air Force site. On 15 November we had a very special visitor to the site, Brigadier General Perryman, commander of the 21st Space Wing, Colorado Springs, Colorado. The General met with personnel and was given the "grand tour" of the Air Force compound. The highlight for many was his presentation of awards for unit members. Although the decorations and awards were earned well in advance of his visit, it was memorable for all to have them presented by General Perryman. The most outstanding presentation was the Achievement Medal presented to each member of the 1995 Guardian Challenge Team. It was the icing on the cake for the members of the Team, and the unit, after all the hard work that had been done to earn the Arnold Trophy in May, and the title "Best of the Best" in space surveillance! Later that evening, at dinner, General Perryman was presented a quail by Lieutenant Colonel Strathearn, from the Air Force members, to commemorate his visit with the "Top Guns" at RAF Edzell.

The Senior NCOs recently held the quarterly and annual awards boards. The competition was keen and the 20 personnel who were nominated had very competitive packages. Each package submitted included details which characterize the "Whole Person" concept. The following areas were judged by the panel: leadership and job performance in primary duties, leadership qualities, social, cultural and religious activities, significant self improvement, other accomplishments, and articulate and positive representation of the Air Force. As in many aspects of life, there can only be one winner per category. However, dedication to service and superior quality of work were traits representative of all the nominees.



The 4th quarter award winners for the 17 SPSS are:

SNCO: MSgt Gary Gora
NCO: SSgt John Huskins
AMN: SrA Dan Anderson
Support person: SSgt Ed Faust

The 4th quarter award winners for Det 5 are:

SNCO: MSgt Dennis Lemka
NCO: TSgt Don Woodcock
Technician: SrA Steve Miller

The annual award winners for the 17 SPSS are:

SNCO: MSgt Ken Grant
NCO: SSgt John Huskins
AMN: SrA Dan Anderson
Support person: SSgt Ed Faust

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SNCO: MSgt Dennis Lemka
NCO: TSgt Paul Malkmus
Amn: SrA Steve Miller

We wish to welcome the newest member to the 17 SPSS, TSgt Dean Middleton, who has recently arrived to enjoy the lovely Scottish winter. •

by TSgt Corina Benitez

Out and About in Great Britain

The 'Pudding Club' Welcomes Food Lovers

A hotel in the Cotswold hills in Gloucestershire is the home of one of England's more eccentric organizations, 'The Pudding Club,' which you may like to join. This long-established club has recently been restarted at its original home, the Three Ways House in the village of Mickleton, and is open to anyone attending the dinners on the first and third Friday of each month. For £17.50 guests can enjoy a choice of three main courses followed by seven traditional puddings. Members then cast their votes for 'pudding of the month.' Reservations are essential and can be made by telephoning 01386 438429, or writing to, Three Ways House, Mickleton, Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire GL55 6SB

Tortoise Maze

A giant tortoise-shaped maze, inspired by the work of Charles Darwin, has opened at Edinburgh Zoo. Made from 1,600 Yew trees, the maze is in the shape of a reptile from the Galapagos Islands. Information panels explain the roles played by this and other animals observed by Charles Darwin. The Zoo, located on Corstorphine Road in Edinburgh, is open daily. Entry charge for adults is £5.50 and for children it's £2.80.

Pride and Prejudice

If you've been watching the recent BBC TV adaptation of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*, you may have been impressed by the three main houses featured in the series. They are all in the care of the National Trust. Lyme Park, at Disley near Stockport, Greater Manchester, plays the exterior of Mr. Darcy's home, Pemberley, but the interior is that of Sudbury Hall, at Ashbourne in Derbyshire's Peak district. Belton House, near Grantham, Lincolnshire, dates from 1680 and was the setting for Rosings, the home of Darcy's aunt, Lady de Bourgh. All of the houses are open to the public in the summer months. Jane Austen's more humble abode is in the village of Chawton, in Hampshire, where she lived from 1809 to 1817.

York's Viking Invasion

During the staging of its 11th Jorvik Viking Festival from 10 - 17 February 1996, 300 warriors in Viking costume will be seen in action in York, once a major settlement for the Norse invaders. The festival opens with a longships regatta on the River Ouse, when crews from Norway, in replica longships, compete with the Jorvik Viking Centre's three vessels. Most of the festival events are free, including the Viking warriors' procession and combat, and the torchlight procession, boat-burning and fireworks finale on the final day. Throughout the week, Viking traders and costumed craft workers will demonstrate their skills with traditional materials in the medieval setting of the Merchant Adventurers' Hall, in the lovely old City of York.

One-Stop Scottish Larder

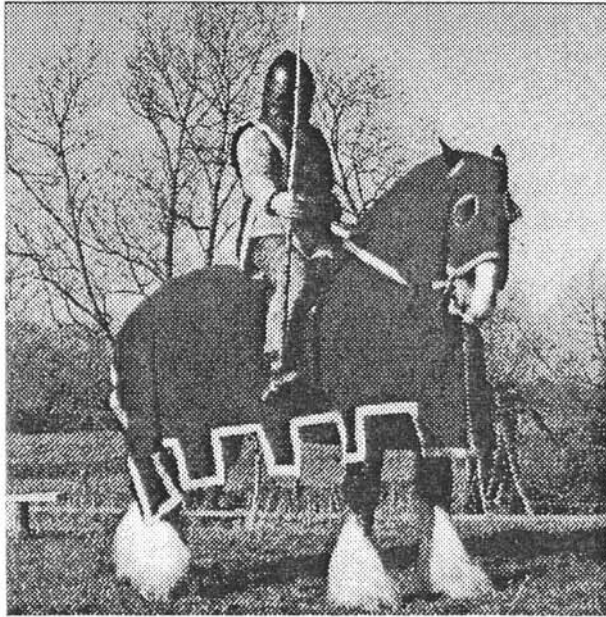
In the village of Upper Largo, in Fife, is an exhibition with cooking demonstrations, tastings and talks devoted to Scottish fare. It is run by food writer and chef, Christopher Tropper, in "Scotland's Larder." Upper Largo, Fife. Phone 01333 360414.

Royal Armour Museum

Britain's oldest museum collection, The Royal Armouries, started 450 years ago. It is currently closed and will reopen March 1996 in a massive new waterfront building, in the city of Leeds, West Yorkshire, with artifacts dating from 325BC. This attraction is full of activity and drama. Jousting tournaments, falconry and martial arts demonstrations will take place daily on the first 'tiltyard' (jousting course) to be built in the UK for 400 years.

Tournament horses, hawks and hunting dogs are being bred specially and will be seen with their handlers in a menageries court. Mini epic films of great battles will be shown in four cinemas. Craftsmen will work on site, demonstrating the age-old skills of the armourer, gun maker and leather worker. Special effects and actors combine with the historical exhibits to reveal the horror and glories of

warfare. Battles such as Agincourt, Waterloo, and those from the English and American Civil Wars, will come vividly to life. The armouries collection is so vast that only 10% of it can be displayed in its present location in the Tower of London. The new museum will contain 10,000 exhibits. The Royal Armouries opens daily from 30 March 1996.



Admission charges are adults L6.95, children L3.95.

Leeds

The city of Leeds was built on the wealth of the textile trade in the 19th century. One of Leeds' newest attractions is the Tetley Brewery Wharf, opened in 1994. Here the story of the English pub is brought to life in an entertaining style. Another fun spot is the Victoria Quarter, which boasts specialty shops, cafes and bistros in ornate Victorian arcades of decorative cast-iron gilding, glazed roofs and mosaic floors. It was built in an age when quality was more important than expense. Equally ornate is the Corn Exchange, which has some surprising shops, as well as the city's vast Edwardian indoor Kirkgate market, where Britain's shopping institution was born (i.e. Marks and Spencer). It was here that Michael Marks began selling his wares at the penny bazaar. Nearby is the town of Haworth, in the heart of Bronte country, including the author's austere personage home, while northwards lies the beautiful Yorkshire Dales, the scenery featured in the writings of James Herriot, the Yorkshire Vet.

by Yvonne Cant

50 Department News

Congratulations go to CTO1 Scotty Shields, who was selected as the Sailor of the Quarter, and also to CTR2 Andrea Blain, who was selected as the AIS Division Technician of the Quarter. Bravo Zulu!

Welcome aboard to CTOSN Jaime Rodriguez, CTO3 Michael Pagnotti transferring in from Guam, and CTOSN Lisa Clum from "A" school. We would like to bid farewells to a few of our hard working shipmates: CTO1 John Catlin, CTO2 Glenn Planck, CTM1 Marvin McCain, CTM1 Ira McDaniel, CTO3 Mary Bennett and CTO3 Frank Sarrica. Good luck in your future endeavors. Thank you for a job exceptionally well done. We will miss all of you.

On a cold, snowy day, while many of our shipmates, corpsman, wives, students, and

others ran the Turkey Trot in support of National Smokeout Day, a few of 50 Department's finest had the distinct pleasure of walking in support of the Salvation Army with Constable Bobby Campbell. They left at 0700, as the sun was coming up, and walked 26 miles, finishing the walk in Brechin at 1650. Averaging 3.5 miles per hour, CTOCM Steve Sager, CTOC Ken Searles, CTOC Dan Adascheck, CTOC Bill Toth and CTO2 Glen Wilkinson completed the trek through the wind, sleet, snow and cold in eight hours. A total of L516.00 was raised in support of the Salvation Army. BZ to all of you!

On the homefront, congratulations to CTO3 Cournoyer and CTO3 Marcus Carey on the recent birth of their sons.

Company Corner

With the holidays behind us and the new year underway (PAY RAISE!), it is time to reflect on how the Marines of Company B worked to bring a bit of cheer to our corner of Scotland during this past holiday season.

Since many of the Marines and their families couldn't go home for the holidays, the Marine Womens Club brought a touch of home to the Marines by serving a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. The dinner, dessert and camaraderie were fantastic. Everyone had a wonderful time eating pumpkin pie and swapping old family recipes. After eating 'til our bellies were full, the time came to give our best wishes to a group of fine Leathernecks as they prepared to depart Edzell to serve our beloved Corps elsewhere. GySgt and Mrs. Parsons departed Scotland for an assignment in South Korea. SSgt and Mrs. Nicholls are headed to 1st Radio Battalion and the sunny skies of Hawaii. Sgt Cunningham is on his way home to pick up his wife and child enroute to Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California. Last, but certainly not least, Cpl Stevens will be departing the enlisted ranks to further his education. It was great serving with you Devil Dogs and we wish you all the best of luck.

This month's training took the Marines of Company B to Barry Bunden, where they engaged a few targets on the pistol range. The weather was harsh and the Marines found themselves battling wind, rain, snow, and hail to fam-fire their 9MM pistols. Despite the bad weather, the Marines still hit their targets with amazing accuracy, and successfully completed another training session.

No "Scrooges" were found, as the Marines of Company B kicked off the annual "Toys for Tots" drive. Many of Company B's elves contributed to the drive as the Marines hosted a Lift-A-Thon to collect toys so that needy children in the community would receive a gift this Christmas. The event was a huge success, raising hundreds of toys, clothes and books. If that wasn't enough, a "Few Good Men and Women" accepted the challenge to raise a team to run, bike, walk or even crawl two hundred miles for the Toys for Tots drive. The participants managed to hang tough and muscle out nearly 800 miles, raising hundreds of additional toys. Numerous gifts for children of all ages were donated by the generous people of RAF Edzell. The Marines of Company B give a warm, heart-felt thanks to everyone whose hard work, support and generosity made this drive a success.

Quote of the Month:

"If you are so nice to them that you cannot employ them, so kind to them that you cannot command them, so casual with them that you cannot establish order, they are like spoiled children, useless."

SUN TZU

This year has encompassed a lot of "lasts" for Company B. Although we'll be departing Scotland next year, we take this time to reflect upon all that has transpired during our tenure here. We're thankful that we have had the opportunity to serve our nation in this land and we anxiously look forward to the New Year, ready to accept any challenge.

In closing, we want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

*by Sgt Cheryl Crosby
and Cpl Mark Monceballez*



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

ENFORCERS TAKE TWO OUT OF THREE

As the Reebok Enforcers traveled to Edinburgh to participate in the Edinburgh '95 Basketball Tournament held 18 and 19 December, the question to be answered was, would the men from RAF Edzell continue their winning ways?

In their first match of the tournament, the Reebok Enforcers faced off against Boroughmuir, the host of the tournament. The Enforcers scored immediately on the tip by Timothy Royal, a player who has continued to improve in the last two outings. Within five minutes the Enforcers reeled off 18 unanswered points, coasting to an easy victory, 86 to 66. High scorer was Justin Chapin with 20 points. The game was highlighted by Larry Elder, a new-comer to the team this year, who came off the bench to score 14 points for a season high.

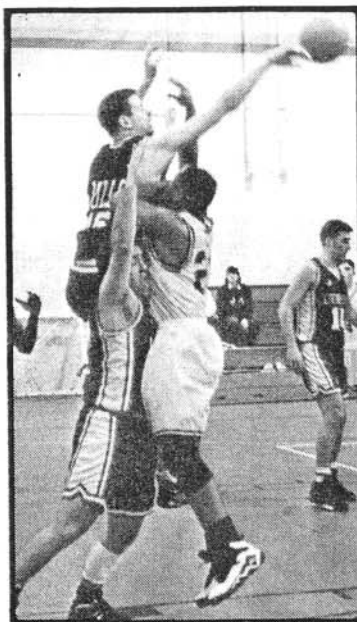
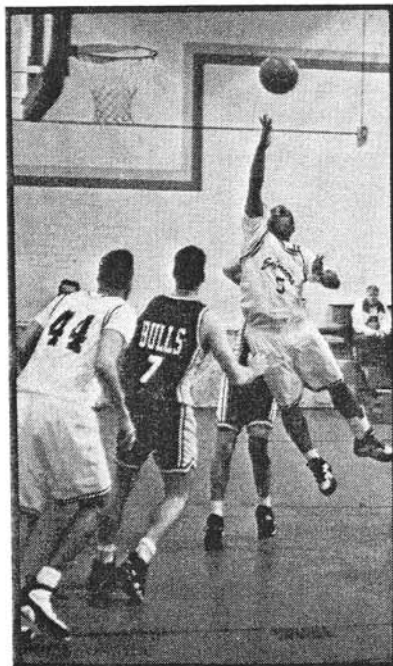
In the second game the Enforcers faced an old rival, the Livingston Bulls. Having upset the Livingston Bulls on Guy Fawkes Day, the Enforcers were looking to keep the momentum going. The Enforcers got off to a fast start by scoring several baskets. The first half was close as each team scored back and forth. As the



game progressed, the Enforcers began to falter due to lost opportunities. With a foul ratio of four to one by the second half, there was no coming back for the Enforcers. Livingston got their revenge winning 93-60. High scorer was Tim Royal with 24 points.

The third game of the tournament witnessed the Enforcers facing Paisley, another rival looking to undo their first outing against the Enforcers. The Enforcers, wanting to make up for their first loss in seven outings, immediately jumped on Paisley and scored the first basket off the tip with a lay-up from Tim Royal. While being a close game initially, the Enforcers began to pull away by scoring 15 unanswered points. Rawls and Chapin once again kick started the Enforcers defense and the team began to coast to victory. Watson and Royal, assisted by Taylor, Davis and Moody, were like men possessed as they cleared the boards. Ben Watson was the star in this game as he posted-up the opponent at will, finishing with a total of 17 points. The Enforcers totally dominated in the second half and sealed the victory with a score of 86 to 65.

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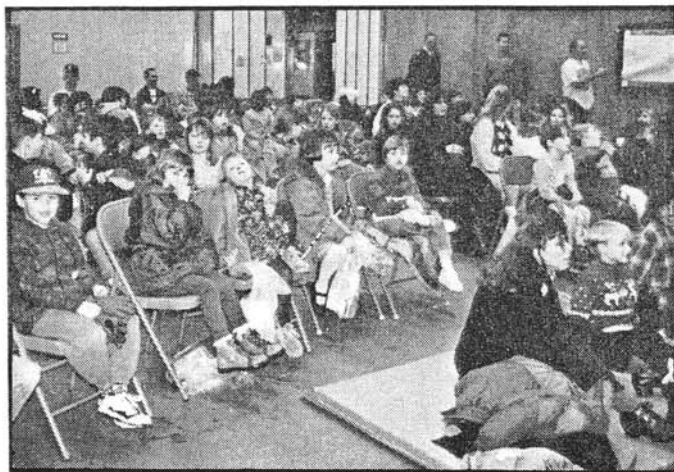
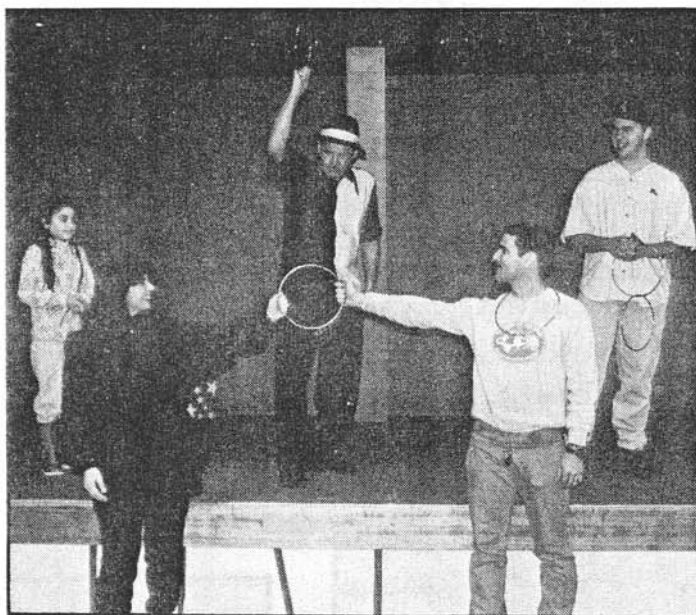
Cain's Clever Capers

"Our mission is to raise the morale of the troops and their families overseas and to make them smile." These were the words of Skip Cain, manager of Cain's Clever Capers. "Skip, the Magic Man," was joined by "Mom" (Marge Cain), comedian "Carmella," J. Scott Shield as the show's emcee, singer "Jaime Rene" and a life-size Toy Soldier (Rob Hruby), sent special from Santa Claus. Skip is the veteran of the group, with this being his seventeenth DoD tour. He loves his work and believes there is a market for family entertainment. He tries to make sure every age group in the audience has a portion of the show geared to them, making every show a little different.

Cain's Clever Capers performed two shows for the pleasure of those stationed at NSGA Edzell; one on Thursday and a second on Friday. Thursday's show was greeted enthusiastically by the more than 70 children in attendance, with Skip the Magic Man and the Toy Soldier vying as the most popular act. Friday's show had a larger attendance of adults, but was no less popular.

After Edzell, Cain's Clever Capers will be performing in Norway, Germany, Kuwait, Oman, Fujarah and Bahrain.

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Officer Association Heather Club's Christmas Tea

A delicious meal was served by members of the Officer Association Heather Club (OAHC) on 14 December, to the Old Age Pensioners (OAP) from both Brechin and Edzell. Along with the meal, the OAPs enjoyed door prizes, Christmas caroles sung by the second grade students from W.F. Halsey and a visit from Santa Claus.

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Mr. Long's second grade class from W.F. Halsey treated the Old Age Pensioners to Christmas caroles.



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The Officer Association Heather Club sponsored a tea for the Old Age Pensioners from Brechin and Edzell.

I saw mommy kissing Santa Claus.

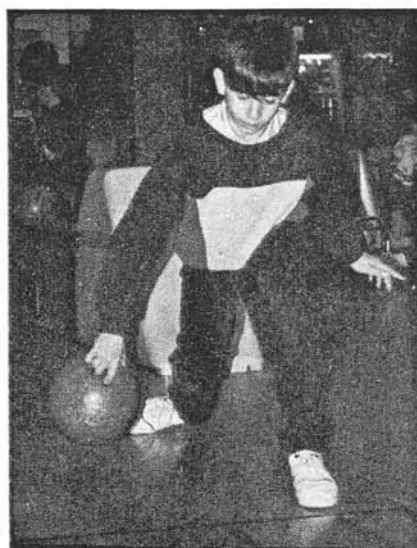
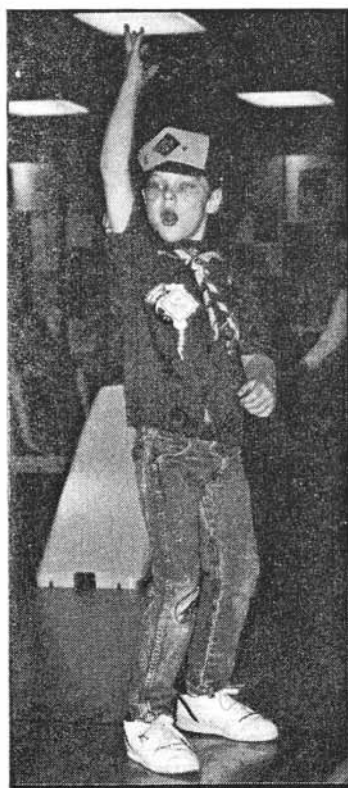
Cub Scout Bowl-a-thon

by Cub Scout Pack 585

Every year, in November, Cub Scout Pack 585 hosts its annual Bowl-a-thon. The event has two purposes. First, the Bowl-a-thon is the Cub Scout's only fundraiser. Secondly, like many Cub Scout functions, it helps the Scouts work together towards a goal.

Based on the above criteria, this year's Bowl-a-thon was a great success. Over thirty Scouts participated in the event, held on 17 November. They raised money for the Pack, worked hard, and even had fun!

Like most events at this command, the Bowl-a-thon was made a success through the efforts of many. Pack 585 thanks everyone who helped make the 1995 Cub Scout Bowl-a-thon a success.



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Tom Eisenger*

CDC Christmas Program

The parents of RAF Edzell's preschoolers and friends were feted to a Christmas song festival and luncheon buffet on December 15, at the MWR Hideaway. The combined voices of the Child Development Program part-day Preschool and full-day Child Care three and four year olds sang a variety of holiday favorites. The children's voices were accompanied by Jacqueline Hahn, on guitar, who volunteered during the part-day Preschooler session.

Preschool teachers Mary Charmley Cheryl MacLeay, Jennifer Smith and



Christine Radzewicz had spent many hours with the children teaching them the classic holiday songs and they led the children during the program. They also designed and prepared the cheerful props of reindeer antlers, holly wreaths and winter scenes.

A special guest arrived just as the last bits of harmony were fading away. Santa brought each child a stocking gift of toys. He heard their requests for that special gift from his work-shop. Following the program of song, all shared the buffet lunch prepared by Club Catering. The meal was topped off with a lovely cake made by Edzell's own, Jean Drake.

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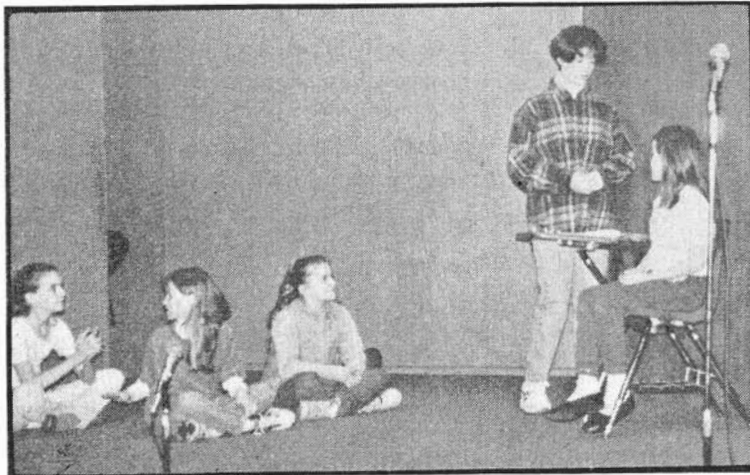
Phantom of the Music Room

by Mrs. Patricia Robinett

Halsey students presented two showings of "Phantom of the Music Room." Thursday, 7 December was the first showing for parents and the Parent Teacher Organization. The second showing was on Friday, 8 December, for parents, students and faculty. This was a delightful play and well done by the cast.

Cast members include: Nick Tyson, Lindsay Patton, Sara Richardson, Erica Ashbey, Sarah Beebe, Elizabeth Holder, Ann Holder, Marley Troy, Cassie Roberts and Natalie Henniger.

The play was directed by Mrs. Robinett. Assisting with the play were Wayne Beebe, Joe and Debra Holder, and Sandie Roberts.



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PH2 Carole Rollman*



Santa Visits Kings Park School

Kings Park School, Dundee, was the beneficiary of a surprise visit from Santa and his elves. Candy canes were handed out and all the children had a chance to talk to Santa Claus. The faculty of Kingspark School were pleased by the thoughtful gesture of the Acey Deucey Association. "This is the first year anyone has done this for us," stated one member of the faculty.



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Christmas Vacation Bible School

by Chaplain Hubbard

Despite the snow and cold, over 70 children from our base community gathered in the Chapel of Faith for the Second Annual Christmas Vacation Bible School. With a host of imaginative and dedicated volunteers, the Chapel set aside a day to share the story of the Wise Men in song, story, and crafts. Father Hummer engaged the children in a lively story. Frankincense was distributed and burned in a censer which helped the children to understand just what Frankincense is all about. After a busy morning, Norma and her "Gangway Club" crew served an outstanding picnic lunch to the children at the Ship's Inn on a most unsummerly day. After lunch the children enjoyed the DOD show, "Cain's Clever Capers," at the Halsey School. Many thanks to our volunteers and our base community for supporting a program that provided our children with a day of faith and fun.



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Letters from the Heart

Dear Friends,

Following your recent delivery of Christmas Hampers to the elderly in your area, including a relative of mine, I have been asked to write and personally thank you, one and all, most sincerely for your kindness and generosity.

This will be the second year, to my knowledge, that my mother has received such a delightful gift from the Chief Petty Officer Association and Men and Women of RAF Edzell and I must emphasize that it has, in the one case that I can speak personally of, turned a 'nice' Christmas into an extra special time of year and will make an enjoyable day a real celebration of goodwill.

I am now not speaking only of the gift itself, nor of the time, the effort, the expense, the unseen work of all involved which is very, very commendable, but of the fact that the THOUGHT was there in the first place.

If there was a medal or award available to me and others that I know of and have spoken with, for bringing Christmas Cheer, Kindness and Goodwill - above and beyond the call of duty, I would have no hesitation in gladly bestowing it upon each and every one of you who have thought of others at this special time of year and brought to the front ranks the true meaning of Christmas.

Although it seems wholly inadequate - Thank You All!

Yours in Admiration,

Bill G.

To Everyone at the Base,

Thank you for my lovely present from Santa. My mommy opened the present and the dungarees, top and toy are great.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love from Shannon L.



Dear Friends,

A note to acknowledge and to thank you for the lovely parcel of goodies which was delivered to me last week.

It was indeed a pleasant and appreciated Christmas gift, so kind and thoughtful.

I trust that you all will have a blessed and peaceful Christmas, and take the liberty of wishing you and yours "A Guid New Year."

All best wishes to you when you all return "home" next year.

May God bless you all,

Sincerely,

W. P. W.

Sir,

Having endured the materialism of yet another "Festive Season," I feel privileged to have been part of the spirit of Christmas. This has been made possible by the generosity of the families at the Edzell Base. Before Christmas myself and colleagues, the health visitors in Montrose, were asked to nominate a number of families who would benefit from extra gifts. We supplied the code names and ages of children (to ensure anonymity) and these were written on paper angels which decorated the tree at the Base.

Each family took an angel and provided suitable gifts for that particular child. Not only did we deliver these, but a well stocked food hamper was a gift to each of the families.

To Mike Petty, all the families and all those who helped in any way, a big heartfelt thank-you from the families who received those generous gifts. There are, of course, many other organizations which fund-raise and donate to local charities at Christmas. These we know about. But I could not let the unsung angels of Edzell pass by without public thanks.

Yours etc.

Pam McDougall

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- 19 - RAF Edzell Ski Day at Glenshee
- 21 - Ash Wednesday
- 22 - Washington's Birthday

March

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

- 05 - E-4 Advancement Exam
- 07 - E-5 Advancement Exam
- 12 - E-6 Advancement Exam
- 17 - St. Patrick's Day
- 21 - Spring Begins
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A fashion show was one of the highlights of the Dr. Martin Luther King Extravaganza, (Clockwise from top left) Suzanna Yourcheck, Jon Taylor, Christina Davis, and Roosevelt Moody.

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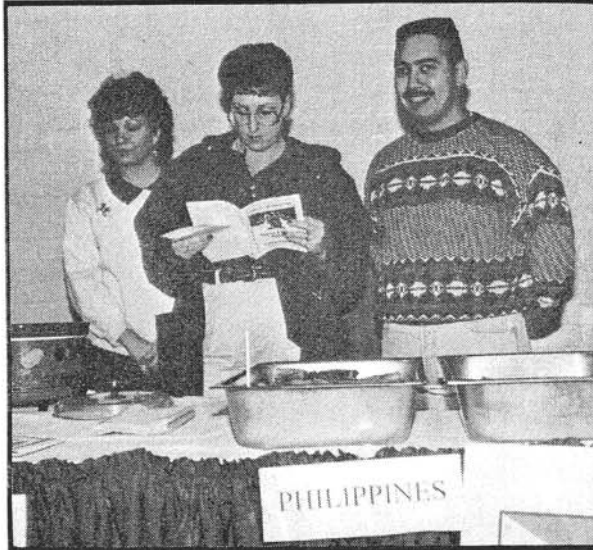
Making the Vision a Reality

The United African Cultural Association (UACA), would like to thank everyone who came out to celebrate Dr. King's birthday extravaganza, "A Vision Made Real." A sincere appreciation goes out to all the associations and volunteers who shared with us their delicious dishes, their time and commitment.

Dr. King's message of hope for mankind continues to be made manifest in our hearts and minds. His life's vision, his dream, was that one day all humanity would live together in mutual respect, love, and understanding regardless of cultural background or race.

In celebration of Dr. King's life we gathered together for one evening to share with one another our cultural differences and likenesses.

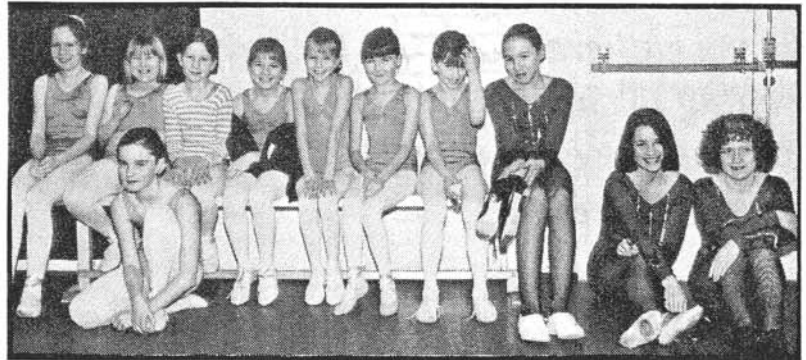
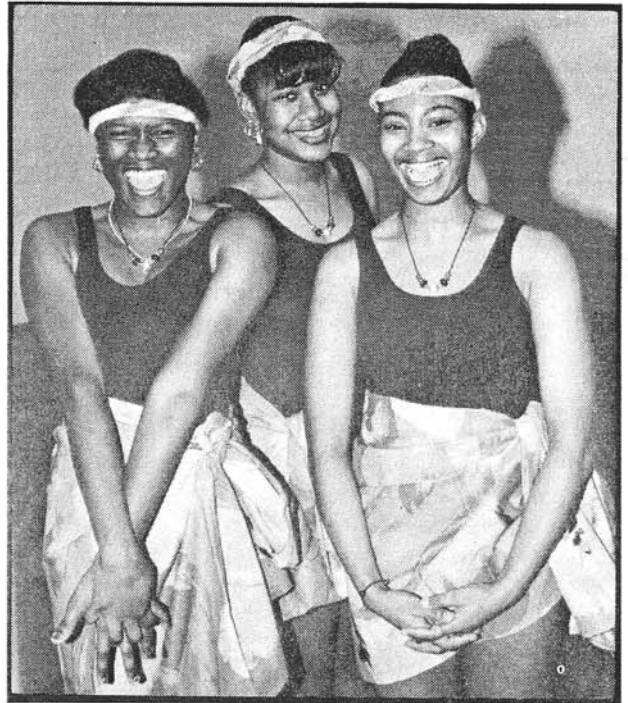
Thanks again to all who participated for opening your hearts and sharing with the UACA an evening to remember.



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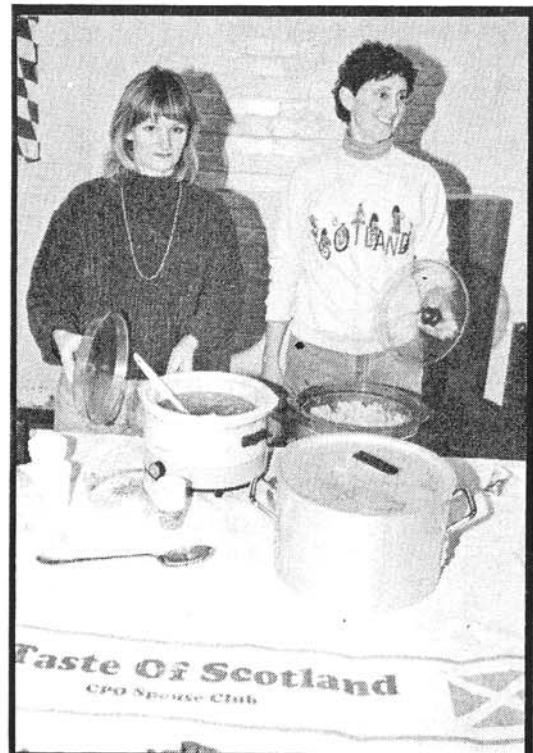
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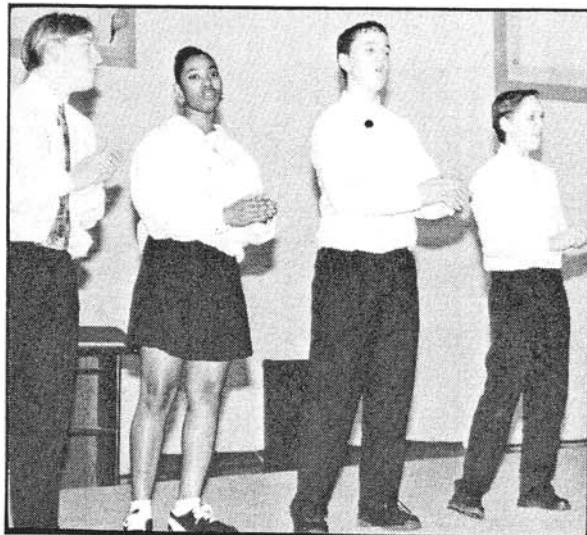






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Martin Luther King Memorial Service

NSGA Edzell's annual Martin Luther King Jr. Service of Remembrance began with the inspired singing of the National Anthem by PN2 Debra M. Reives. Chaplain Hubbard offered the opening invocation. Commander Phil Ray, Commanding Officer, NSGA Edzell, then spoke of Dr. King's pivotal role in the civil rights struggle for Black Americans and of Dr. King's stature as a "Great American." He praised Dr. King's championship of freedom, equality and justice for all Americans.

Following the Commander's remarks, RP2 Michael A. Petty read a biographical sketch that touched on the highlights of Dr. King's life, ministry, witness and martyrdom.

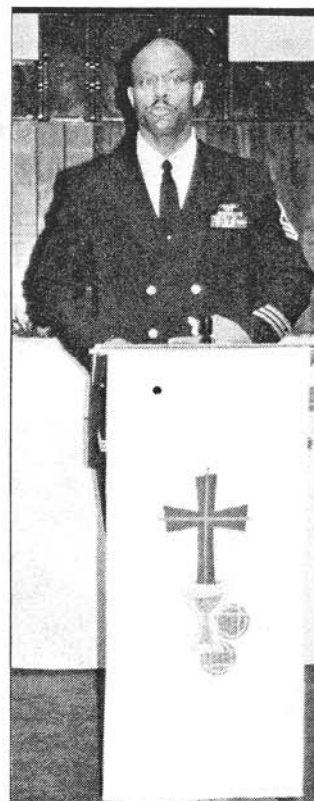
Sgt Cheryl E. Crosby read a selection that reminded us that the struggle for civil rights was waged by young and old alike. Even a child knows the meaning of freedom and the hardship of oppression. CTAC Roosevelt Moody shared his personal recollections of his life and career as a Black American in the Navy, both at home and abroad. He acknowledged that there were greater opportunities for Black Americans to achieve professional success and leadership positions in today's Navy than had been before. He values his overseas travel and exposure to other cultures and races, who treated him with dignity and respect. His experiences have enriched his life and broadened his horizons. The human dignity, equality and respect that Dr. King and the civil rights movement worked for are valued, not only in our country, but throughout the world.

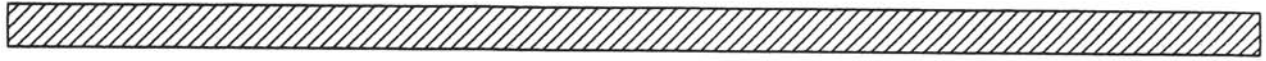
Story by Chaplain Hubbard

The Full Gospel Choir and Friends provided a spirited and syncopated musical interlude with their selections "We're Marching" and "It's Been Another Days Journey." SFC Charles Foxwell, in his reading from Dr. King, touched on the creative power of love versus the destructive force of hate. In love there's hope and power for positive change and reconciliation, whereas hate is a dead end for destruction. SMCM (SW/AW) Michael W. Riley, Command Master Chief, movingly shared a remembrance of a Black shipmate in Vietnam whose heroism saved his life.

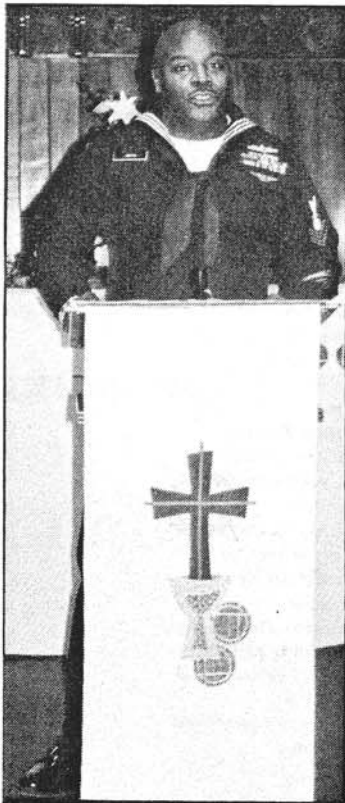
SSgt Chad A. Vargason read an excerpt from Dr. King's memorable "I Have A Dream" speech that still calls us to be a land of freedom, equality and tolerance between all races and religions.

Following the Benediction, all joined in the singing of the Civil Rights Anthem "We Shall Overcome." Having paused to honor the achievements and martyrdom of Dr. King's short life, we left more committed to the ideals of freedom, justice and equality, for which he lived and died.





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PH2 Carol Rollman*



**Martin Luther King Jr.
1929-1968**



A Hero in our Midst

Constable R. S. "Bobby" Campbell, (more affectionately known to most of us at RAF Edzell as "the walking constable") has been summoned to Buckingham Palace by her Majesty, the Queen of Great Britain, to receive one of his country's highest awards, the "Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire" Medal (MBE). The MBE is awarded each year to approximately 200 people; 50 people in Scotland, 50 in Wales, 50 in England and 50 in Northern Ireland. He is receiving this award for Charitable Service to Great Britain. Following the reading of a citation to the assembled dignitaries, the Queen will present Constable Campbell with the MBE Medal.

Constable Campbell, retiring at the end of February, has been at RAF Edzell for 10 years. Over the past 36 years he has managed to raise over £160,000 (£80,000 of this in the last 10 years) for many American and British charities, principal of which has been the Malcom Sergeant Cancer Fund for Children. How has he accomplished this feat? By just walking.

Constable Campbell has been walking for charities since he was 14 years old. It was not until he put down roots at RAF Edzell that the work of this modest man was finally recognized. Listed below are less than 20 percent of his walks and some of the money he's raised over the years:

YEAR	MILES	FROM	TO	RAISED	FOR
1960	50	Glasgow	Campsie Falls and back	£180	Spastics
1960	50	Glasgow	Stirling and back	£90	Deprived Children
1961	50	Glasgow	Stirling	£120	Deprived Children
1962	50	Glasgow	Ayre	£130	Spastics
1963-1975	650	Across Europe	Army Marches	£2000	Army Fund
1965	60	Glasgow	Edinburgh	£300	Spastics
1977	100	Glasgow	Loch Lomond and back	£600	Deprived Children
1977	60	Glasgow	Stirling and back	£800	Deprived Children
1979	60	Glasgow	Stirling and back	£900	Deprived Children
1980	50	Glasgow	Edinburgh and back	£600	Spastics
1985	60	Glasgow	Stirling and back	£400	Spastics
1990	100	RAF Edzell (4 days)	Perimeter	£1800	Children in Need
1990	46	Perth (non-stop)	Dundee	£480	R.N.L.I. Fund
1990	22	Perth (non-stop)	Dundee	£600	Sick and Elderly
1990	59	Aberdeen (non-stop)	Stracathro Hospital	£430	Cancer Research
1991	238	Coullport	RAF Edzell	£1900	Children in Need
1991	22	RAF Edzell	Loch Lee, Edzell	£600	US Navy Fund
1991	125	Stracathro Hosp.	Bridge of Earn	£1500	Cancer Research
1991	100	Forth Rd. Bridge	RAF Edzell	£320	R.N.L.I. Fund
1992	22	Loch Lee(non-stop)	RAF Edzell	£600	US Navy Funds
1992	619	Weatherfield, Lon.	RAF Edzell	£9988	Cancer Fund for Children
1992	25	Montrose	Round House Tower	£500	Cancer Research
1992	296	RAF Edzell	Nairn and back	£600	Children in Need
1992	36	Montrose	Dundee	£400	Submarine Fund RN
1992	25	Rutland Water (round)	(non-stop)	£1200	Spastics
1992	22	Edzell (non-stop)	Loch Lee	£500	US Marine Corps Fund
1992	100	Edzell	Edinburgh	£480	Navy Wives Com.
1993	180	Across Scotland (4 days)		£2800	Cancer unit Ninewells
1993	100	Edzell (non-stop)	Edinburgh	£600	Spastics
1993	160	Brechin (3 days)	Edinburgh	£450	American Flood Victims
1993	25	Walk and Wheelchair push at RAF Edzell		£500	Scottish Spina Bifida
1993/94	1800	Over 6 months - 10 miles a day		£1200	Kenny Johnson Appeal
1994	25	Wheelchair push, Brechin		£300	W.R.V.S.
1994	939	Lands End	John O'Groats (24 days)	£2800	Malcom Sergeant Fund
1995	4000	Walk for Malcom Sergeant Cancer fund for Children all over Scotland		not yet fully counted	

When asked how he feels about receiving this great award he said, "It's the children and their families that will benefit from this award - the personal notoriety I receive can only help raise more money for this charity. The honor does not mean a thing if you forget that you are doing it for charity and to help others. I will keep helping people for the rest of my life."

Constable Campbell will have walked over 70,000 miles for charities by the time he reaches his 50th birthday this year. He's raised over \$60,000 from base personnel alone and has had over 50 Americans accompany him on some of his walks over the years. LCDR Caruso, stationed at RAF Edzell during 1994, accompanied him on the monumental Lands End to John O'Groats walk, covering an average of 42 miles a day, a walk that "only 3 people a year actually complete."



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When talking about the Americans, past and present, that have been stationed on base, and whom he has come to know, he says "I truly love all the Americans - I think they're great." As a personal tribute to all the U.S. service members at RAF Edzell, he made a 40 mile trek, non-stop, from Aberdeen to Edzell on 14 August 1995. He's received four U.S. Presidential Sports awards, signed by the President of the United States, as well as Olympic standard walking records.

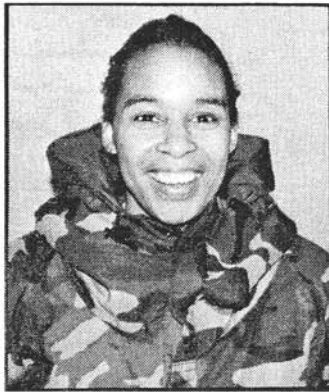
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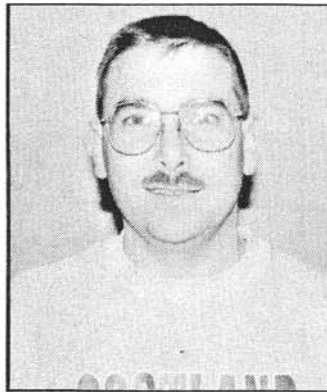
Edzell Expressions

Question of the Month: Where is John Paul Jones, the father of the American Navy, buried?

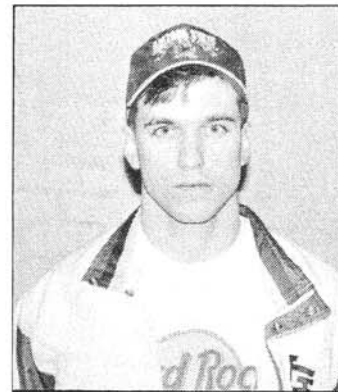
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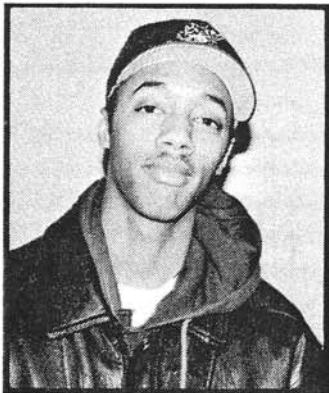
Sgt Cheryl Crosby
"Arlington National Cemetery."



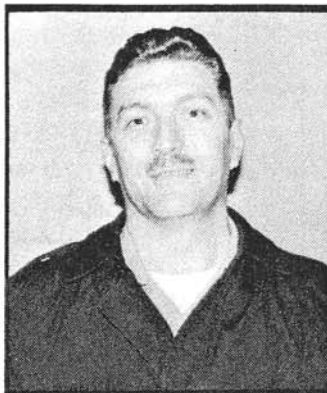
CTM1 Steve Wojdyla
"Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD."



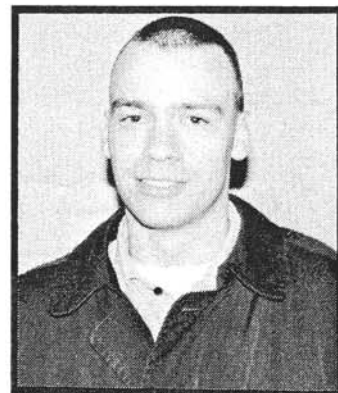
CTT2 Anthony Browning
"Arlington National Cemetery."



CTM3 Sean Ravene
"At sea."



CTRCM Joe Holder
"Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD."



CTASA James Legg
"In the United Kingdom."

Answer: In 1905, John Paul Jones's remains were disinterred in Paris, brought to the U.S.A. and buried at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD.

University of Maryland

DEANS LIST

Each term the Office of the Registrar compiles the Dean's List to honor students who have completed 15 or more consecutive semester hours (s.h.) of credit with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. The faculty and staff of the University of Maryland European Division would like to congratulate the following Edzell students for having been recently nominated to the Dean's List.

Eddie Batchelor
Paul Christensen
Barrie Glazebrook
Scott Kist
Marla Montevaldo

Monica Bosque
Timothy Cleary
James Huffer
Jeanie McPherson

SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year the University of Maryland (UM) offers students the opportunity to apply for various academic scholarships, which are in the form of a tuition credit worth \$500. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of students' academic records with UM as well as a specific essay that the student submits. The 1995-1996 recipients of scholarships have been awarded and the following Edzell students were among those selected.

Monica Bosque *Jennifer Gantert*
Stacey Henninger

University of Maryland students with superior academic records may be eligible to join one of several honor societies.

ΑΣΛ Alpha Sigma Lambda is a national honor society for adult/continuing education students. Eligible students must be "Regular" students who have completed 30 s.h. of UM work including 15 s.h. outside their primary area of concentration; have a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 in UM course work and have not yet been awarded the bachelor's degree. Requests for membership may be submitted at any time during the year.

ΦΑΘ Membership in Phi Alpha Theta, a national history honor society, is open

to undergraduates who have completed 12 or more s.h. of junior/senior level history courses with UM. (Only HIST courses can be included in the 12 s.h.. Interdisciplinary courses from related disciplines cannot be included.) Students must have a 3.5 or better grade point average in the HIST courses. They also must show an overall grade point average of at least 3.4 in all UM work. Membership applications must be received by the Registrar's office in Heidelberg by 1 August for the December initiation, or 1 February for the May initiation.

ΦΚΦ Phi Kappa Phi is a national honor society open to UM seniors who have achieved overall academic excellence. Candidates for membership must have completed at least 90 s.h. of college-level work (45 s.h. with UM) and earned a 3.8 grade point average or higher. Requests for membership must be received in Heidelberg by 15 July for the December initiation, or 15 January for the May initiation.

ΣΤΔ Sigma Tau Delta is an international honor society in English language and literature. Membership requirements include the completion of at least 45 s.h. (including at least 30 s.h. with UM); all required English courses beyond ENGL 101, and a grade point average of 3.6 or higher in at least 12 s.h. of upper-level English courses. (Only ENGL courses can be included in the 12 s.h. Interdisciplinary courses from related disciplines cannot be included.) An overall grade point average of at least 3.5 in all UM course work is also required. Membership applications must be received in Heidelberg no later than 15 January for the May initiation.

Mail all membership applications to: University of Maryland Office of the Registrar, Attention: Honor Societies Unit 29216, APO AE 09102; or University of Maryland, Office of the Registrar, Attention: Honor Societies, Im Bosseldorn 3a 69126 Heidelberg, Germany.

by Robyn Ridgway

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s



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Members of NSGA Edzell were presented medals for their fundraising efforts on behalf of the Salvation Army. (L-R) CTOC(SW) William D. Toth, Bobby Campbell, CTOC(SW) Kenneth Searles, CTOCM(SW) Steven L. Sager, CTO2 Glen E. Wilkenson, and CTOC(SW) Daniel Adascheck.

NSGA SeaBee Awards



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(L-R) CM2 Troy A. Duhon (CO's LOC), CM1 Phillip K. Henderson (CO's LOC), EA2 Daniel E. Johnson (CO's LOC), CE1 Mark A. Wegner (CO's LOC), UT2(SCW) Daniel G. Mateik (NAM), CEC Joseph M. Braley (NAM).

Reenlistments This Month

During the month of December 1995, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended for a minimum of two years.

CTMC Gary W. Wood

RM2 Mark R. Ivey

QM2 Jay D. Miller

CTR2 John M. Pritchett

CTR2 Lisa G. Toquothy

CTR3 Vikki A. Pritchett



Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

Food Drive a Success

Thanks to the generosity of base personnel and employees, the 1995 Food Drive was an overwhelming success. On 14 December, members of the Chief Petty Officer Association loaded up bags of canned goods and turkeys. Equipped with maps and a list of names furnished by the Community Relations Advisor, they went off in search of residents living in Brechin, Montrose, Edzell, Luthermuir and Craigo. By noon, over 170 people had received food baskets compliments of the base. A special thank you goes out to the Acey - Deucey Association, Chief Petty Officer Spouse Association and Scout Pack 585, for their monetary and canned goods donations. Without their

by MSCS(SW) Joseph L. May



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help the Food Drive would not have been possible. Some local residents were "surprised" that the Americans were still here and did not think the base would do the Food Drive this year. Thanks to your kind donations of canned goods, monies and time, we were able to make the holiday season a little brighter for local residents. Next year will be the last Christmas for Americans stationed at Edzell. Even though the base will be drawing down, we are making plans now for what will be our last Food Drive. The number of baskets that will be distributed may have to be scaled down, but I am positive that the personnel at Edzell will give generously and the final Food Drive will be successful.

NSGA Edzell Senior Sailor of the Year

Congratulations go to Cryptologic Technician First Class (CTT1) Norma A. Skipper, on her selection as Senior Sailor of the Year. Assigned as the 30 Department Leading Petty Officer (LPO), CTT1 Skipper is considered to be a model Sailor, who brings to her tasks a selfless devotion to duty, impeccable personal conduct and outstanding military bearing. This dynamic leader of approximately 250 multinational and tri-service personnel displays a sincere concern for her shipmates, and draws from a wealth of experience in taking on her assignments.

A native of San Antonio, Texas, CTT1 Skipper enlisted in the Navy in May, 1979. Like many of us, she joined the Navy in a quest for new adventures and an education in life. After completing recruit training in Orlando, Florida, she attended "A" School in Pensacola. Upon graduation from "A" School, her Navy adventure and education in life truly began with a transfer across the Pacific to NAVCAMS, WESTPAC, Guam, where she worked FLEXCOP and SIGSEC.

With a successful tour in Guam behind her, CTT1 Skipper transferred back to Pensacola in August, 1981, and gained the 9148 NEC upon completing the Non-Morse Analyst Course. In January, 1982, it was overseas again, this time across the Atlantic, to NSGA Edzell, Scotland, where she had the opportunity to work at many various tasks within the "old" 33 Division.

In March, 1984, she arrived at Winter Harbor, Maine, to attend the Classic Wizard Basic Operator Course. While in Maine, she met and married her husband, CTTC "GW" Skipper, and it was here also where her first daughter, Charlene, was born. CTT1 Skipper worked in several jobs, including Electronic Data Processing System Operator, Editor of the monthly station newspaper, Operations Watch Supervisor of a 14 person watch section, and Electronic Data Processing Chief.

After surviving a few winters in Winter Harbor, she found herself dreaming of duty in a balmy, tropical environment. In September, 1987, that yearning was satisfied with a transfer once again to NAVCAMS WESTPAC, Guam. Her jobs included Watch Section Supervisor, Operations Watch Chief and Configuration Management Supervisor. When not busy on the job, she was taking care of her expanding family, for it was in Guam, that her second daughter, Michelle, was born.

In October, 1989, Petty Officer Skipper attended Instructor Training School in Millington, Tennessee, and then proceeded once more to Winter Harbor, to serve as a Classic Wizard Instructor and curriculum developer. One of her proudest moments occurred here when she received the title "Master Training Specialist." Before departing Maine, she attended the Classic Wizard Support Class and gained the 9176 NEC.



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CTT1 Skipper's next assignment came in February, 1993, to NAVCOMTELSTA Diego Garcia. She worked in the Technical Publications Library and as a Watch Section Supervisor. Thirteen months later, in March, 1994, she found herself back at NSGA Edzell, Scotland, where she again worked in the Classic Wizard Technical Publications Library as Division LPO and eventually, the 30 Department LPO.

In addition to the outstanding performance of her military duties, CTT1 Skipper is actively involved in her community. She is a leader in the Daisy and Brownie Girls Scouts, vice-president of the Acey-Deucey Association and a volunteer at W.F. Halsey school. She was also the advertising team leader for the Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society fund drive. Petty Officer Skipper's career goal is to retire from the Navy as a Chief Petty Officer. When not in pursuit of this goal her favorite past time involves the raising of her two children and sharing life with her husband.

by LNI Frank Thies

NSGA Edzell Junior Sailor of the Year

Congratulations go to Cryptologic Technician Third Class (CTR3) Yovonka N. Jackson for her selection as Junior Sailor of the Year. CTR3 Jackson is currently working in 31 Division as the Analysis and Reporting Administrative Assistant. Her professionalism and dedication to mission accomplishment have made her a mainstay in the Division.

Though born in Virginia, CTR3 Jackson was raised in California, and attended California State University at Fullerton, for three years before joining the Navy in 1993. After attending bootcamp in Orlando, Florida, she attended "A" and "C" schools at NTTCD Fort Devens, Massachusetts, and NTTC Corry Station, Pensacola, Florida.

Reporting to NSGA Edzell, on November 29, 1994, CTR3 Jackson was first assigned to 34 Division, earning recognition as the Division's most prolific NARROWBAND operator. An acknowledged subject matter expert, she incorporated her knowledge and skills to lead the division in NARROWBAND productivity and earn her selection as the division's Operator of the Quarter and Operations Section III's Watchstander of the Quarter for second quarter CY95. These achievements garnered her selection as the NSGA Junior Sailor of the Quarter for Third Quarter, CY95. In addition, she was also selected as 34 Division Watchstander of the Month for March and June, 1995. When 34 Division closed, she moved to 31 Division, applying her considerable knowledge and skills to her newly assigned position.

CTR3 Jackson is continuing to further her



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education by taking University of Maryland courses, as well as the traditional Navy correspondence courses. She has also served as a Saturday Scholars volunteer and is the Division BEQ Advisory Board representative. In her free time she enjoys going to the movies, bowling, sightseeing and socializing. While CTR3 Jackson is planning to make a career out of the Navy, she is undecided at this time whether to stay enlisted or pursue a commission.

by CTT1 Laura Gray

"Congratulations to both Sailors!"

Inverbervie/Brechin Ombudsmen

▪ Meet Becky Ritchey ▪

I am a native of northern Illinois, where I lived before joining the Air Force in 1971. I served at several bases including Chanute AFB, Illinois, K. I. Sawyer AFB, Michigan, and Kadena AB, Okinawa, Japan. My final two years in the Air Force were at Ft. Meade, Maryland, working as the only enlisted member of the Director, NSA staff. After my discharge in 1981, I worked in various secretarial positions, eventually ending up as a technical editor at Honeywell, Inc., in Annapolis, Maryland. In 1986, using the G.I. Bill, I decided to attend college as a full time student. I graduated with honors from University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), in 1991, with a major in history (Japanese) and a minor in writing. I next attended graduate school at UMBC where I received a graduate teaching assistantship during my first year.

I met my husband, CTR1(SW) Steven Ritchey, in 1979. He was a T-brancher at Ft. Meade, in a subsurface direct support billet. After a few years Steve joined the Naval Reserve. Three years later he considered going back on active duty. Unfortunately, he would have lost rank and because I was a full-time student we had to think of our financial situation. As it turned out, he was recalled to active duty for Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Steve used this opportunity to apply for permanent active duty, and in April, 1991, he was accepted.

His first assignment was aboard the world's first nuclear powered surface ship, the USS *Long Beach* (CGN-9), in San Diego (now decommissioned). I was Command Ombudsman for the Long Beach during her farewell cruise.

We arrived in Scotland, in November, 1994, and moved into Inverbervie housing one week after checking on-board. Edzell was the exact assignment we wanted. We had talked about trying for Edzell long before Steve received his orders, so we felt very fortunate to come here. I became involved in the local community soon after arriving, joining a local choir, the Stonehaven Chorus, in January, 1995. I'm the only American in the choir (new members are always welcome!) and am also their music librarian and a member of the management committee. Steve and I



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Becky Ritchey, Inverbervie Ombudsman, Telephone 01561 362765

feel we have already seen a great deal in Scotland, having taken numerous day trips around Grampian and surrounding areas. Last summer we traveled through the highlands twice, stayed overnight on Black Isle, and spent some time on the Isle of Skye. We also toured London for three days.

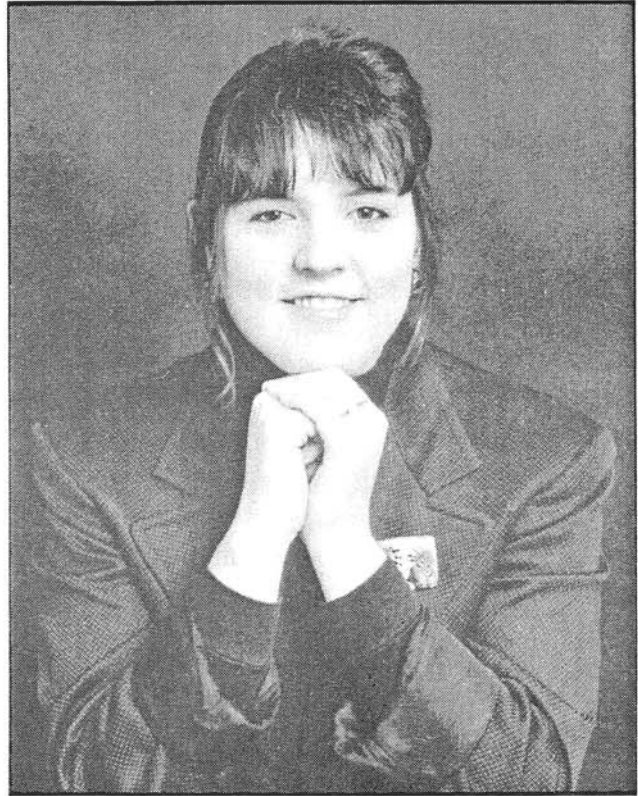
My primary motivation in becoming an Ombudsman is to help family members navigate the waters of Navy life, so to speak. I particularly want to encourage Americans to get off base as much as possible and see Scotland. This is the second time in my life that I have been fortunate enough to live overseas courtesy of Uncle Sam. In light of the imminent base closure, being stationed here is indeed a golden, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Residing here allows us to become intimately acquainted with the Scottish culture and society in a way we could never be able to do as mere tourists. Where else overseas could you find a more neighborly, friendlier people than our Scottish hosts!

■ Meet Kerrie Barney ■

Since the birth of my son, Avery, I have often been asked what goals I have for the future. Although I currently enjoy being home to watch Avery grow and become his own person, I plan on furthering my education and eventually heading for the workforce.

I see my role as Ombudsman as a model of my future career choice as a pediatric patient care coordinator. The greatest aspects of each job involves acting as a liaison and providing vital information and referral services. I believe that with the training I've received to be an Ombudsman, and the various experiences that are sure to come, I'll be able to bring invaluable assets to my chosen career.

I would love to take these assets to my Southwest desert home in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and turn them into a reality for myself and my family. I realize though, that my goal of returning there will be tailored by the ever inevitable moves of Navy life and by the desires of my husband, Todd, who hails from Michigan. Fortunately however, through my faith in God, and my determination, I strive to succeed wherever I happen to find myself situated. I believe these traits will serve me well as an Ombudsman, and in years to come when I will hopefully be employed in a hospital, fulfilling my dreams.



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Kerrie Barney, Brechin Ombudsman, 01356 625 399

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Profits from Casino Night were presented to the Enable Association by CTR1 Glenn Spencer, President of the Acey-Deucey Association.

Tips for Pediatric Dental Health

Your baby's teeth begin to form early in pregnancy. As with your baby's overall health and development, the mother to be has a tremendous impact on the growth of the dental structures. The minerals, vitamins and other nutrients a baby needs for healthy teeth are supplied from foods that you eat. At birth, the baby will have about 20 teeth growing inside tiny jaws. Proper nutrition is paramount. A balanced diet ensures all the building blocks are available for healthy, vigorous growth. Prenatal care includes nutrition counselling. Following this advice is the beginning of good dental health.

Nutrition and Tooth Decay

What causes tooth decay? Infants can suffer from tooth decay as early as one year. The decay is caused by bacteria that accumulate on the teeth forming a plaque layer. Bacteria use sugars as food and release acids as a waste material. These acids dissolve the mineral of the tooth resulting in decay.

How should I properly feed my baby to prevent decay? If feeding your baby from a bottle, avoid liquids containing a high amount of sugar, such as sweetened water, fruit juices and soft drinks. It is extremely important to limit the use of the bottle to feeding times only. When the bottle is used as a "pacifier" to quiet the baby or to help the baby sleep, the sugar in the milk or other liquids bathes the teeth. This can cause a type of decay called "Nursing Bottle Caries." It usually destroys the upper front teeth, and is painful. If you must give a bottle between feedings, fill it with plain water. Prolonged breast feeding can do the same thing. The infant should be held while breast feeding and then placed in bed afterwards.

Can medications given to my child cause tooth decay? Most liquid and chewable medications, such as daily vitamins, contain a high concentration of sugar to make the medication more acceptable to children. As a result, it is possible to develop decay. It is important to brush your child's teeth after giving the child doses of sugary medication.

Prevention

At what age will my child be able to brush without supervision? Because proper brushing requires skill and dexterity, do not expect children to be able to properly clean their teeth until approximately five years of age. Even then, most children require supervision until the age of eight. Until your child has demonstrated the ability to adequately brush independently, an adult should assume the responsibility twice daily, in the morning and before bed. Remember to be a good role model, you are the example they like to follow.

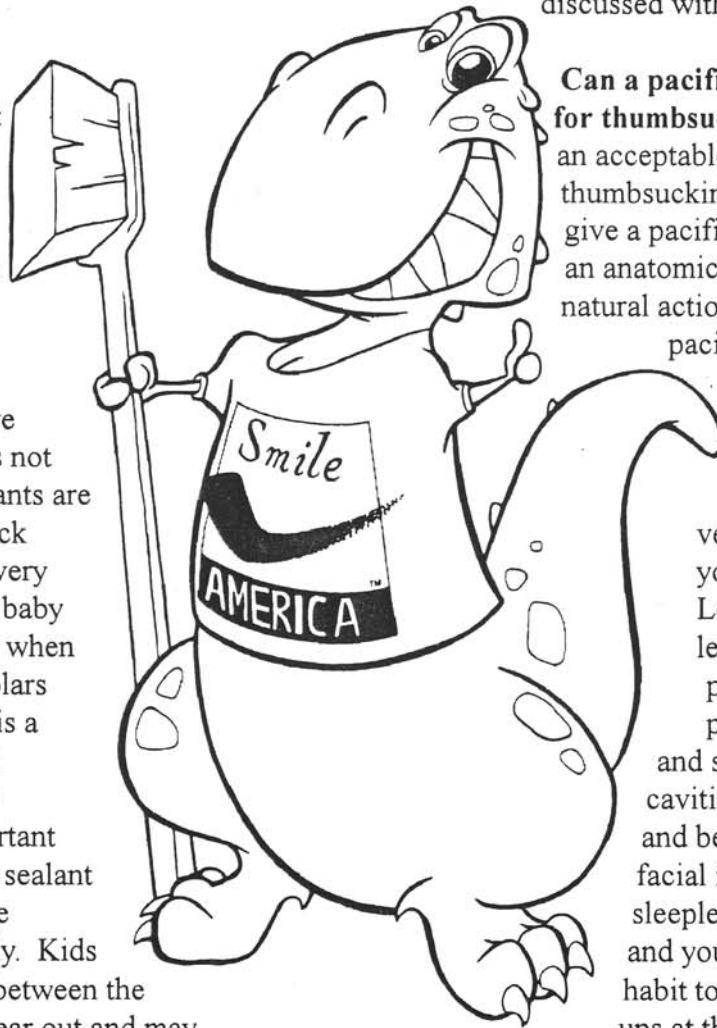
How and when should I brush my child's teeth? Start before teeth erupt with a wet gauze or terrycloth each day. As teeth come in, switch to a child sized toothbrush with soft bristles. It is not necessary to use toothpaste with infants. Use a small circular motion on the tops of the teeth and a 45° angle on the sides with the same motion.

Are fluorides really needed? Fluoride in water, in toothpaste, as supplements, and professionally applied, has been irrefutably proven to strengthen teeth and significantly reduce cavities. In the RAF Edzell area, there is no fluoride added to the water and supplements are prescribed. A fluoride rinse

is not a substitute for ingested tablets or drops, it compliments them. Fluoride supplements, if needed, should start at six months. As with many things, you can have too much of a good thing. Too much fluoride can cause discoloration of the teeth. Therefore, make sure your youngster doesn't swallow the toothpaste and only put a small pea size drop on the brush.

Should sealants be applied to my child's teeth? What are they anyway?

Yes. But not all teeth benefit from sealants. Some teeth have many deep pits and grooves that are susceptible to decay while other teeth have very shallow grooves not likely to decay. Sealants are usually put on the back adult teeth only and very rarely applied to any baby teeth. First grade, or when the six-year adult molars come all the way in, is a common time to first receive this effective treatment. It is important to remember that the sealant prevents decay on the chewing surfaces only. Kids can still get cavities between the teeth. Sealants do wear out and may need to be replaced periodically. A sealant is a thin layer of a plastic type material that is bonded to the tops of the teeth effectively sealing out the grooves from the entrance of bacteria. This procedure is safe, simple, quick, and doesn't require anesthetic.



Should I discourage my baby from thumbsucking? Infants have a natural desire that will vary in intensity from time to time and from baby to baby. Sucking is the baby's means of self comforting. This is perfectly normal and natural for your infant and should not be discouraged. However, a habit that continues after the age of 5 or 6 years can cause dental/facial deformities and should be discussed with your dentist.

Can a pacifier be substituted for thumbsucking?

A pacifier is an acceptable alternative for thumbsucking. If you decide to give a pacifier to your child, buy an anatomically shaped one for natural action. Never coat the pacifier with something sweet to entice the child to take it.

The baby teeth are very important for your child's health. Lost baby teeth can lead to badly placed permanent teeth and problems with eating and speaking. Untreated cavities can cause pain and be a source of further facial infection as well as sleepless nights for you and your baby. Make it a habit to get regular check-ups at the dentist. At

Edzell, our policy is to see children at two years of age, or earlier if the parent has any concerns.

by LCDR Eric Nordstrom

Safety Hazards

R. M. Donaldson
Safety Manager

Most supervisors recognize the need for telling new personnel about work hazards, safety rules and personal protective equipment on the first day of duty, but what about seasoned personnel who move up, down or laterally into new positions?

Too often, supervisors fail to give them any safety orientation at all. It's taken for granted that they can look out for themselves, and that attitude is an invitation to trouble. People who are promoted or transferred to a new job often find themselves in unfamiliar surroundings, faced with a new work area, a new combination of things to do or a new set of hazards. Under such circumstances, even a veteran needs to be orientated or re-orientated to the basic safety considerations of the new work situation. Initial safety orientation for personnel who move to new positions should cover four essential topics:

1. MAJOR AREA HAZARDS. Common area hazards include mobile equipment traffic, overhead moving equipment, exposed electrical conductors, potential slipping and tripping hazards, and hazards connected with neighboring machinery.

2. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. The person should be told what protective equipment they are required to wear, such as hard hat, safety shoes and/or safety glasses. Other required equipment should

be made available, and its use and care should be explained. This is also the time to spell out personal requirements.

3. CLEAN-UP AND HOUSEKEEPING RESPONSIBILITIES. Give details of what is expected in keeping the workplace orderly. Point out these responsibilities.

4. CRITICAL SAFETY RULES. Discussion of safety rules should be limited at this time to those who must know about them immediately. For example, if personal protective equipment is required in the work area, give reasons for the use of the equipment.

Don't confuse safety orientation with job instruction. While the safety orientation of every position should be thorough, don't make the mistake of covering too much at one time. There's a limit to how much a person in a new position can absorb in one instruction session. Position safety orientation does not, and should not, go into details of job safety analysis or how specific jobs are done. The purpose of the orientation is to cover the safety highlights of what the person needs to know about the new job, not details of job procedures. Detailed job instruction follows later - after the safety orientation.

One way of ensuring that your safety orientations are handled more effectively is by preparing outlines covering the key points for each position under a supervisor's jurisdiction. File the outlines alphabetically by position, or by position code, so they will be readily available for use. The supervisor can then use the outlines as guides for orienting personnel who move to an operation or position they have not worked before, or to which they may be returning after an extended absence. If you don't have outlines prepared, or if you have them but don't use them, a gap is created in the accident prevention barrier which we try to build around each worker. When gaps appear in this barrier, accidents can occur.

You have both the knowledge and the tools to prevent accidents. It's up to you to use them. Make it a point to give safety orientation to all personnel who are assigned under your supervision.



MAYFLOWER III

Construction will begin this summer on a full size replica of one of the most famous ships in history, the MAYFLOWER. Designated as MAYFLOWER III, this ship will be built at Chambers Wharf in Southwark, which is situated by the side of the River Thames in London. The keel of MAYFLOWER III will be laid on American Independence Day, July 4, 1996.

MAYFLOWER III will be constructed entirely of wood. The work will be accomplished by a team of craftsmen shipwrights experienced in the traditional methods and techniques of wooden shipbuilding. Construction is expected to take two years during which time the general public, from a special viewing platform overlooking the site, can observe the ship being built. Adjacent to the building site will be an exhibition center designed with school children in mind. The center will be comprised of hands-on displays explaining the ship-building processes involved, as well as the history of the first MAYFLOWER and of the pilgrims who sailed in her to America's shore. A souvenir/gift shop will sell a range of specially designed and commissioned souvenirs, artifacts and gifts to suit all ages and pockets.

The launch of MAYFLOWER III will take place in early 1998, when she will be lifted by a 500 ton crane from Chambers Wharf and placed into the River Thames. MAYFLOWER III will sail from Rotherhithe in spring, 1999, on a goodwill voyage to America. On board will be an experienced captain and crew of about 20, and some 10 - 15 passengers who will have bought

their places at a fund-raising auction.

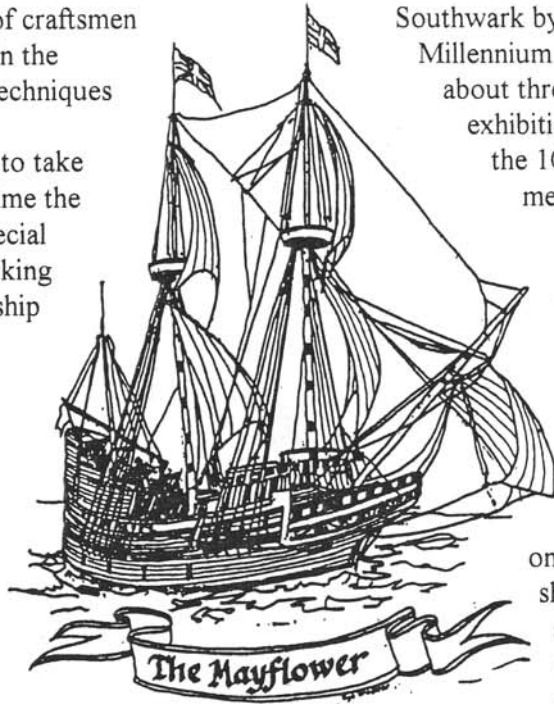
There will also be a number of places reserved for young people from Southwark. They will have earned their passage by working through a two year program devised to test their endurance and aptitude, for what could be a 66 day voyage under the same conditions, as present day health and safety regulations allow, as the original pilgrims experienced.

With MAYFLOWER III safely back in Southwark by autumn 1999, fitting out for the Millennium Exhibition will begin. Taking about three months to complete, the exhibition will depict how life was for the 102 passengers and 30 - 40 crew members when they departed from Rotherhithe in July, 1620; how they lived and slept, what they ate and how the food was stored and cooked. In addition to the on-board exhibition, there will be a very exciting interpretational experience in a period building on the quayside adjacent to the ship. By means of cinema simulation, visitors will be able to experience what it was like to sail on a small, overcrowded

ship, through gales and storms, and to live through the ultimate terror of heaving decks, creaking timbers, and the mast cracking in a mid-ocean storm with waves as high as the yardarms.

The MAYFLOWER III will be built to last for at least 50 years. During her lifetime she will be moored in the River Thames, off Rotherhithe, the village from whence the original MAYFLOWER set sail, to where she returned, and in whose churchyard her captain, Christopher Jones, is buried.

by Yvonne Cant



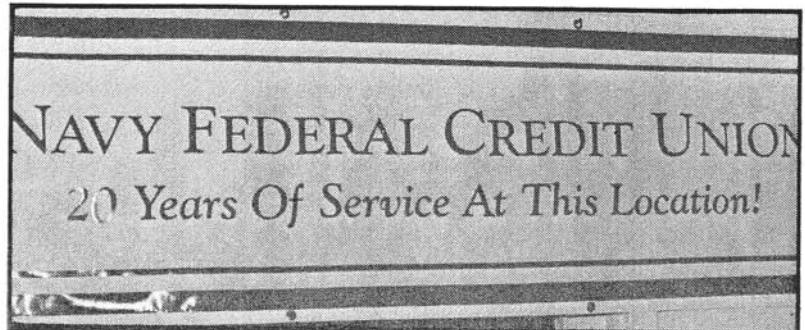
20 Years of Service

On 20 January, in celebration of the Navy Federal Credit Union's (NFCU) 20th anniversary at NSGA Edzell, the NFCU staff provided cake, cookies, coffee and punch to members visiting it's office. NFCU commenced providing service to it's members at NSGA Edzell, 13 January, 1976.

In the beginning, NFCU's field of membership at Edzell was limited to Navy and Marine Corps personnel. Later, at the Commanding Officer's request, membership was opened to include all active duty military personnel and Department of Defense civilian employees.

Through most of the years of operation, NFCU's work was accomplished by a Navy Exchange employee on a reimbursable basis. Besides NFCU transactions, this employee was responsible for Navy Lodge reservations, NEX sign making and other personalized services. Also, until 1992, all financial data was relayed by telex through NFCU's communications hub at Holy Loch, Scotland.

NFCU decided to staff the office at Edzell to provide financial services to members when Holy Loch closed in 1992. The telex, which appeared to be the 'original', was replaced by a modem and CRT operation. Instead of the half day service that

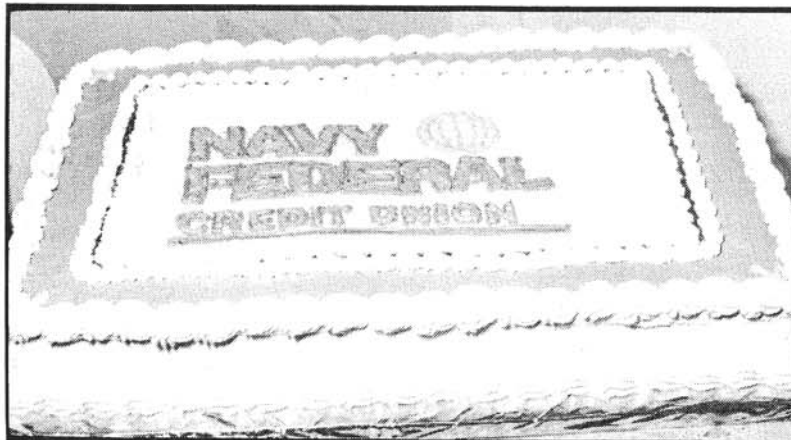


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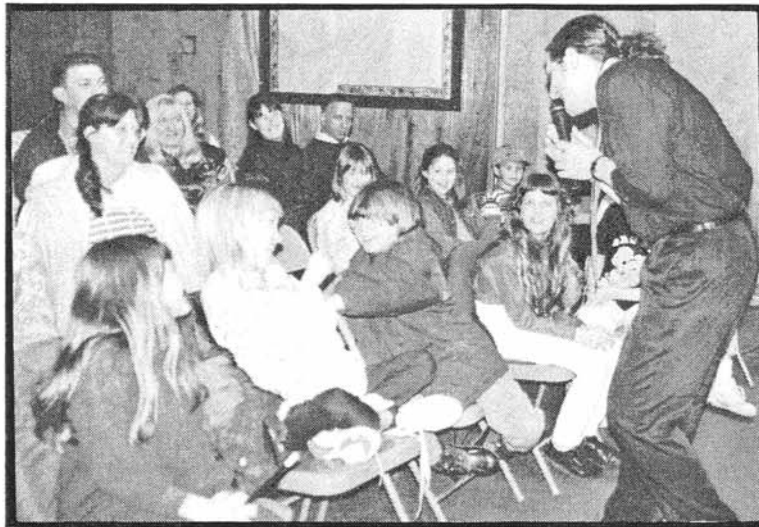
was the norm in 1976, the computer response time now averages 15 seconds.

The staff, consisting of Mrs Linda Taylor, Counselor, and Mr. Dan Carder, Manager, will continue to provide financial services for personnel at Edzell until a NFCU closure date has been set.

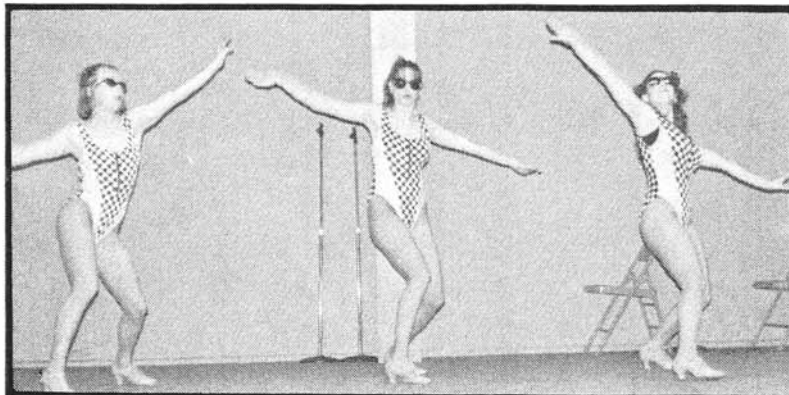


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DOD PRESENTS "ONSTAGE"



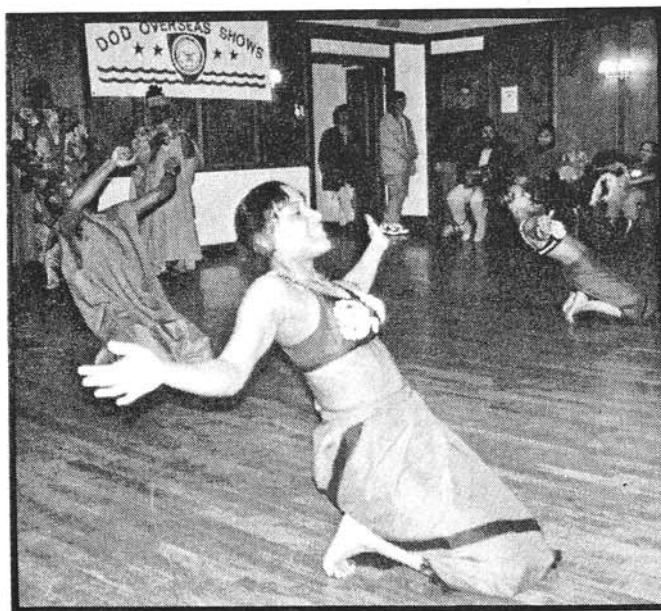
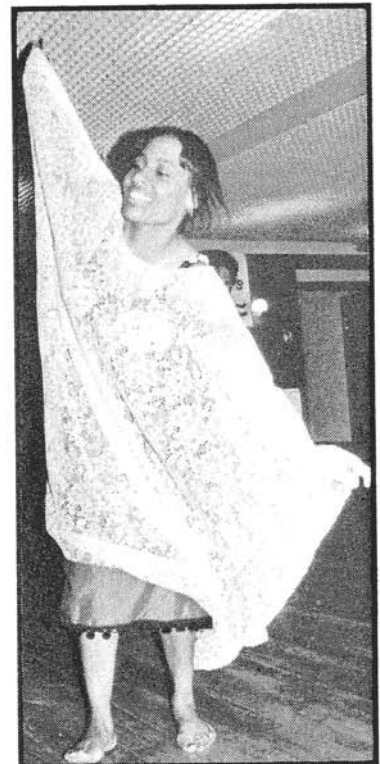
"Onstage," a small, Las Vegas style mini-musical theater troupe put on a crowd-pleasing performance at the W.F. Halsey School auditorium.



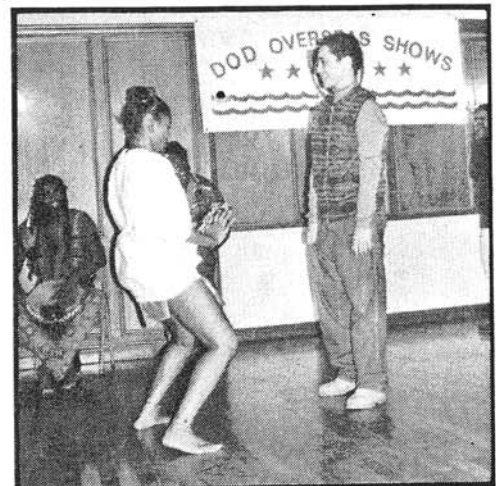
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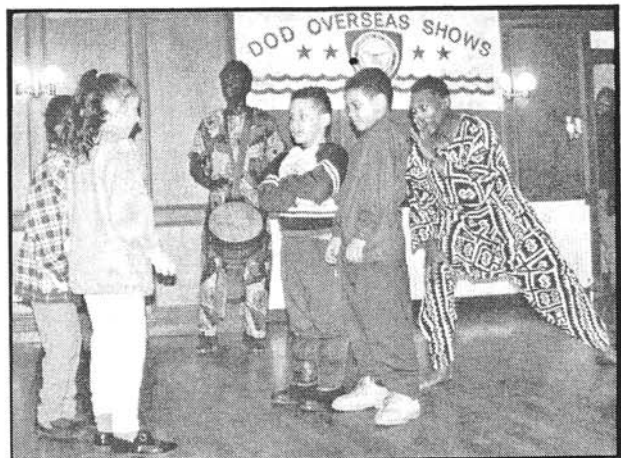
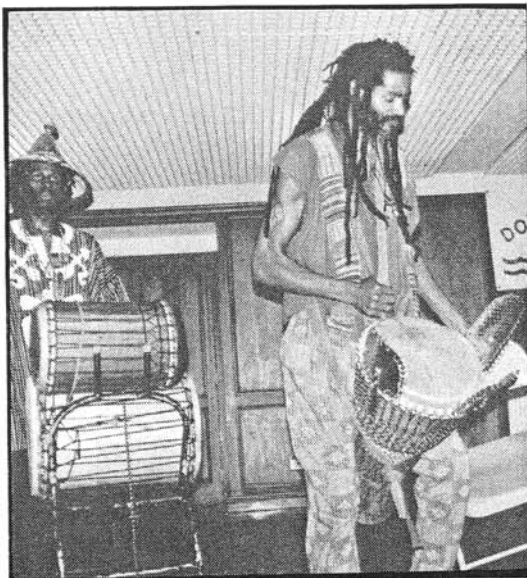
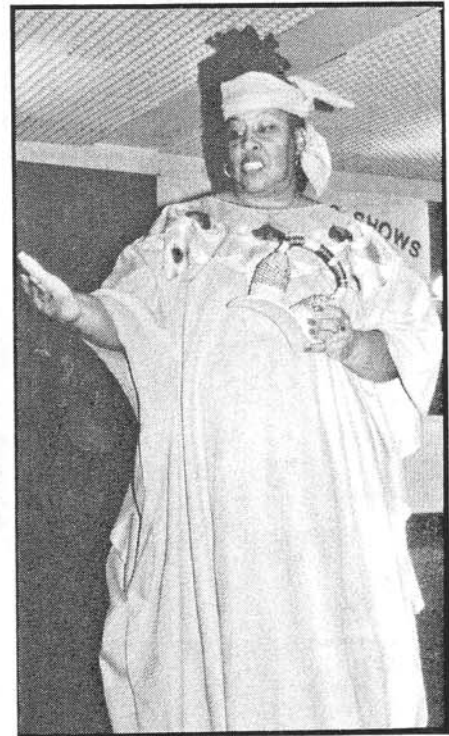
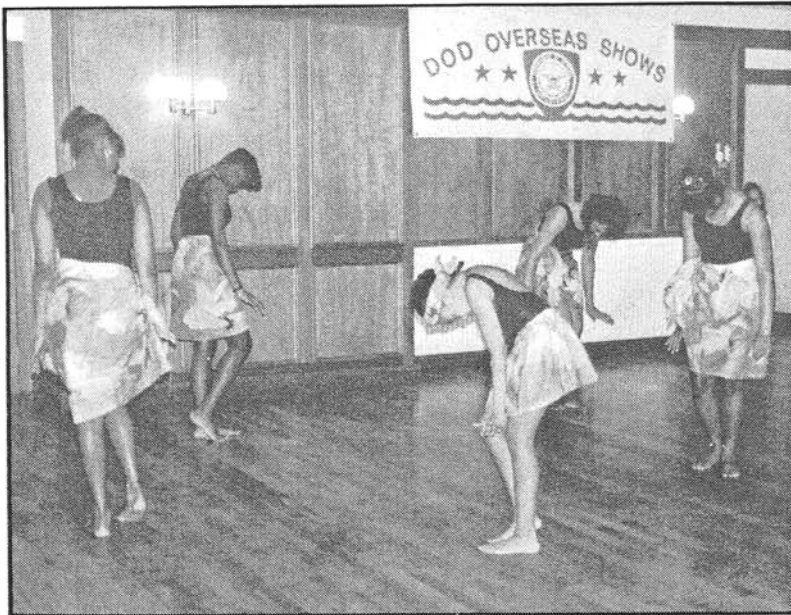
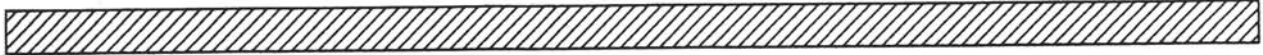
CULTURAL MOVEMENT AFRICAN DANCE COMPANY PERFORMS FOR NSGA EDZELL

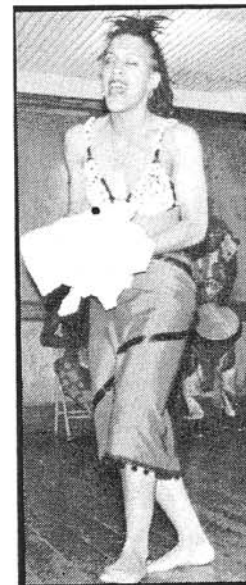
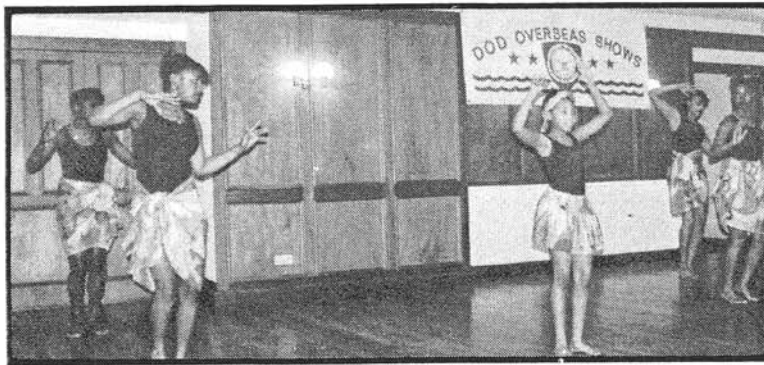
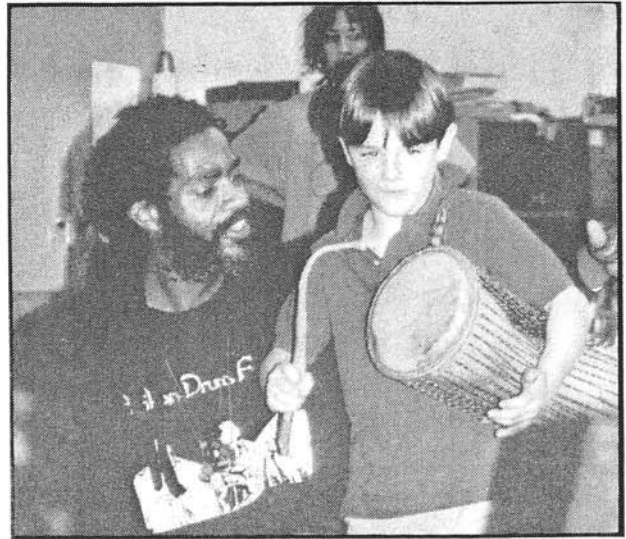
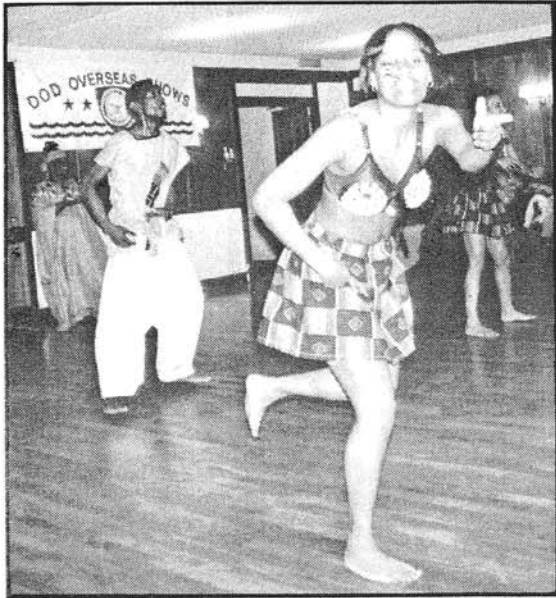
The Cultural Movement African Dance Company joined the NSGA Edzell community in commemoration of the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., and to celebrate Black History Month. In addition to a comprehensive workshop for young people attending the Youth Activity Center, the dance company gave a brilliant performance at the Ship's Inn. Members of the audience were encouraged to learn about African American culture by joining in traditional dance, music, song and folklore.



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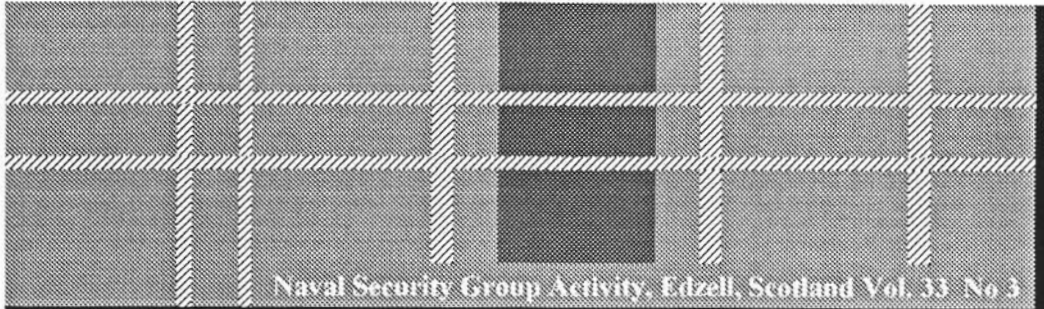


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- 05 - E-4 Advancement Exam
- 07 - E-5 Advancement Exam
- 12 - E-6 Advancement Exam
- 17 - St. Patricks Day
- 21 - Spring Begins
- 23 - Annual Car Boot Sale
- 31 - Palm Sunday



April

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

- 01 - April Fool's Day
- 04 - Passover
- 05 - Good Friday
- 06 - Easter Festival
- 07 - Easter Sunday

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PHYSICAL FITNESS MONTH

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- 12 - Mothers Day
- 27 - Memorial Day (observed)



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Four Servicemembers to run in this famous race.

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Scott Turner and John Garlock participate in the candle lighting ceremony for the Cub Scouts Birthday at the Blue and Gold Dinner.

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FLEET MASTER CHIEF VISIT

by *JO2 Melanie Barnett*

Fleet Master Chief for Commander in Chief, U. S. Naval Forces Europe, GMCM(SW) Dennis R. Boddie, visited RAF Edzell, February 12, 1996. The purpose of the visit was "Just to see how the sailors are doing," said Boddie. This is not the first time Master Chief Boddie has dropped by to check on the welfare and morale of the personnel stationed here, in fact this is his third visit to the area. Boddie said the most notable change since his visit in September of last year (for the Hospital Corpsman Ball) is the downsizing of personnel because of the upcoming base closure, but quickly added that the quality of performance has remained the same.

During an informal luncheon held at the Galley, Master Chief Boddie briefed military members on various topics. Boddie also offered some career related advice for advancements by stressing the importance of periodically reviewing microfiches. He also reminded sailors that Joint Operations are a part of the ever-changing Navy. "Think Joint Operations!" Boddie said.

Local Sailors then had the opportunity to relate some local concerns to the Master Chief. Those in attendance expressed a variety of issues; the most prominent being those associated with the ever-present base closure. Master Chief Boddie was

bombarded with questions about how the closure of support units like the Commissary; and Morale, Welfare and Recreation might effect the quality of life of the community. Maintaining a high quality of life depends on each individual, said Boddie. He also challenged each member of this organization to pay attention to peers and take care of each other. "Taking care of them is taking care of yourself," said Boddie.



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SMCM(SW/AW) Riley introduces the Fleet Master Chief, GMCM(SW) Dennis R. Boddie at the Galley.



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Master Chief Boddie speaks with local sailors.

W.F. Halsey School Burns Supper

by Ray Vettese

On January 25, 1996, W. F. Halsey Elementary School held its 18th annual Burns Supper to celebrate the life of Robert Burns Scotland's national poet. The event began with the traditional piping-in of the haggis. The haggis was carried by eighth-grader Ryan Drake, the piping was performed by Mr. Alistair Skene of Glenesk, the "Address to the Haggis" was given by former base employee, Mr. Bob Whyte, and the Selkirk Grace was spoken by eighth-grader, Ken Jones. After the prayer, students Sean Linton and Brandon Lord proposed a toast to "The immortal memory of Burns." A toast in honor of absent friends was led by CDR Phil D. Ray.

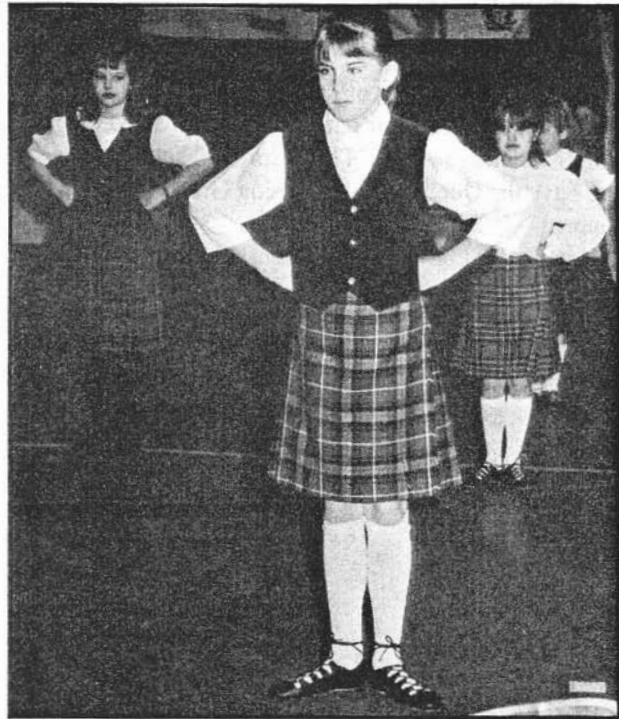
The twenty pounds of haggis, provided by the Officer Association Heather Club and the Parent/Teacher Organization, was consumed. Also eaten were 45 pounds of potatoes and 40 pounds of turnips. Parents pitched in by serving food in the classrooms and donating food. The entertainment included Halsey students reciting selected poems and songs and excellent bagpiping from CTMC Gordon Kinnie. The Halsey Dancers were also on hand (or on foot) with their fancy footwork. The troupe consisted of Sean Tyson, Hope Magart, Sara Sexton, Catherine Nordstrom, Stephanie Nordstrom, Melissa Rannin, Kristin Braley, Sheri Wyatt, Tyresa Thornton, Ann Holder, Anna Nordstrom, Ashley Woodcock, Elizabeth Holder, and Nick Tyson. The troupe was coordinated by Mrs. Cheryl Ray and Mrs. Debra Holder.

The Halsey School extends a warm "thanks" to the organizers and participants for the tremendous cooperative effort they put forth to make this year's celebration a success.



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(above photo) The Halsey Dancers were also on hand with their fancy footwork.



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National Prayer Breakfast Observed

by *Chaplain R. R. Hubbard*

On February 1, 1996, NSGA Edzell observed the National Prayer Breakfast and joined with our leadership in Washington, our state capitals, and with our military throughout the world in prayer for our nation.

Following the posting of the Colors, PN2 Debra Rieves movingly sang our national anthem. In keeping with our Scottish setting CTMC Gordon Kinnie played "God Save the Queen" and "Amazing Grace" on the bagpipes.

Commander Phil D. Ray brought greetings to the gathering and remarked on the important role of faith and prayer in the life of our nation and people. Lieutenant Joseph Hanley delivered the invocation. CTA2 Pamela Fusco led the gathering in the Responsive Reading and Master Sergeant Thomas Canavan powerfully spoke the prayer for the Armed Forces.

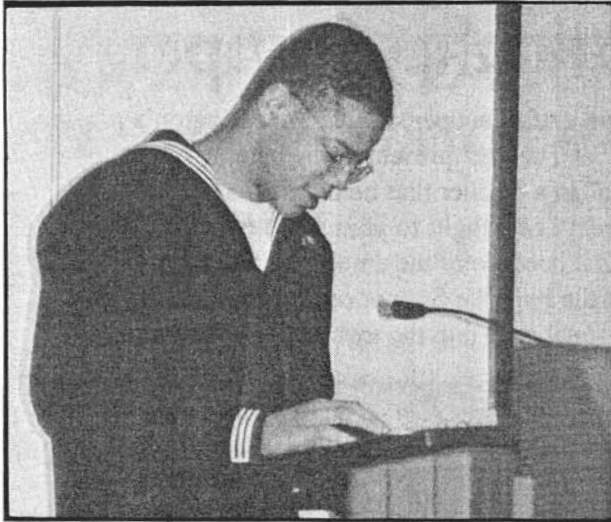
Readings from the Jewish, Christian and Islamic scriptures were given by CTASA James Legg, CTTC James Waters and CTM3 Thomas Lee. Petty Officer Lee's reading from the Koran was read first in Arabic, then in English. CTRCS James Slaughter offered the Prayer for Peace. Chaplain Richard Hubbard introduced the guest speaker, Reverend Andrew J. Jolly BD. Rev. Jolly, an area minister and reservist in the Territorial Army, formerly served as a Chaplain in the Royal Air Force.

Rev. Jolly spoke of the role of prayer in our daily lives and of our need to respect and appreciate the different faith traditions we share. Having grown up in Glasgow, his words were laced with the humor and wit for which Glaswegians are famous.

Chaplain Lawrence Hummer spoke the benediction that closed this years National Prayer Breakfast.



(above photo) CDR Phil D. Ray, (right) CTMC Gordon Kinnie, (opposite page top left) CTM3 Thomas Lee, (top right) Color Guard, (left center) MSgt Thomas Canavan, (right center) Rev. Andrew J. Jolley, (bottom left) LT Joseph Hanley, (bottom right) Members of the RAF Edzell community joined in prayer



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Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

By *LCDR Richard Hubbard*

On Tuesday, February 20th, the night before Ash Wednesday, the Chapel of Faith congregations gathered at the Ship's Inn for a traditional "Shrove Tuesday" pancake supper. In medieval England, Shrove Tuesday was the day when the faithful went to church to confess their sins (to be shriven of their sins) as part of their spiritual preparation for Lent. Pancakes came to be the traditional last meal before the fast of Lent began. In Catholic and Orthodox countries, dancing, parties, and parades were part of carnival (farewell to meat) which came before the fasting and penance of Lent. Carnival ended on Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) and Lent began the next day.

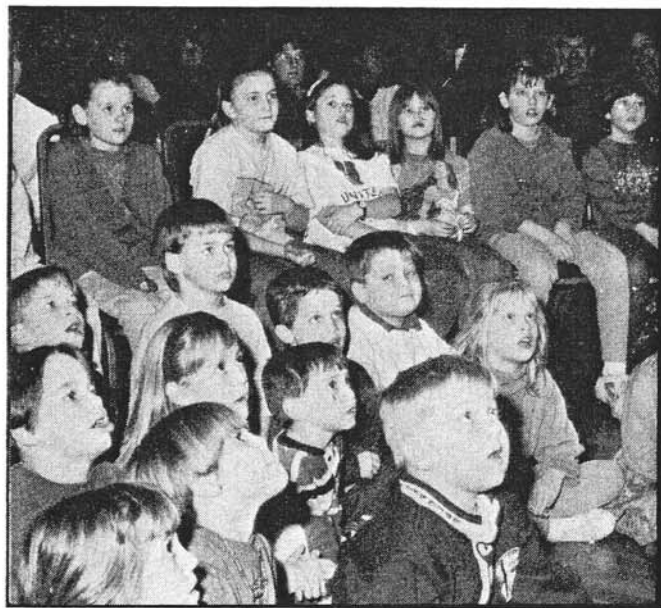
Following grace by Father Hummer, Norma and her crew served a "meanstack" of pancakes to a near

capacity crowd. After supper, Richard Medrington's "Parable Puppet Theatre" presented the parable of the "Prodigal Son" in a manner that held the attention, and brought laughter and delight to young and old alike.

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(photos above and bottom right) Richard Medrington's "Parable Puppet Theatre" presented the parable of the "Prodigal Son" in a manner that held the attention, and brought laughter and delight to young and old alike.

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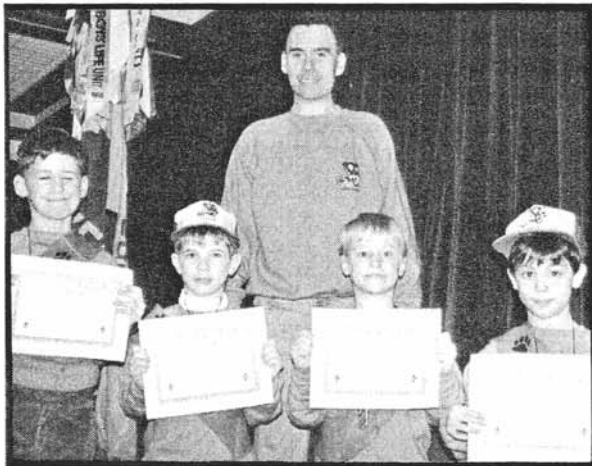
Blue and Gold Banquet 1996

by CTM1 James Hinrichs

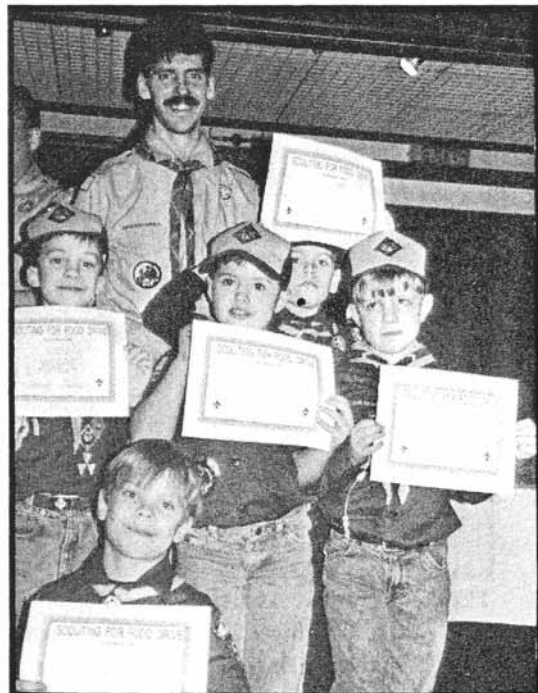
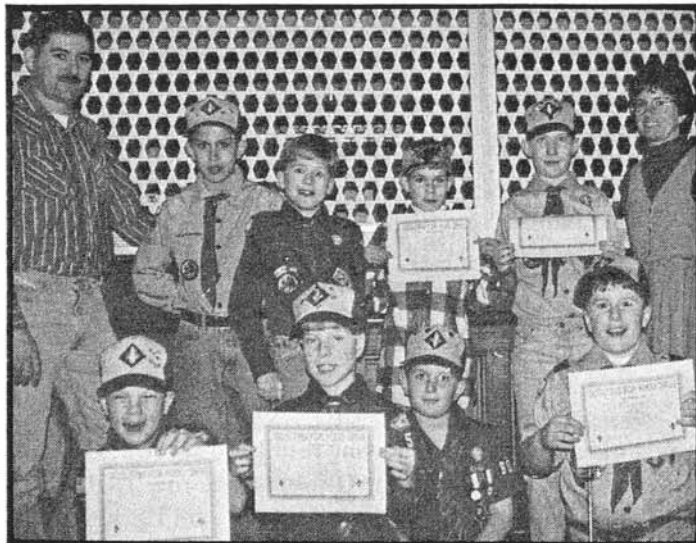
On February 18, 1996, the Cub Scouts of Edzell, Pack 585, celebrated Scouting's 86th birthday. The banquet was attended by approximately 40 Cub Scouts and their families. As with any monthly pack meeting there was an Awards Ceremony where the boys received recognition of their accomplishments. Over 100 awards were given at this meeting. This Month's Awards Ceremony also included items earned at the Annual Bowl-A-Thon. The boys received prizes based on the amount of sponsorship they acquired. These prizes ranged from an embroidered patch for the uniform, all the way up to camping equipment. Pack 585 would like to thank

Mrs. Cheryl Ray for organizing the festivities and CTMC Laura Garlock for the cake.

If these pictures look like people having fun, you could be a part of it. If you have any questions about Scouting, contact CTM1 James Hinrichs, Assistant Cub Scout Master, at home 64-7190.



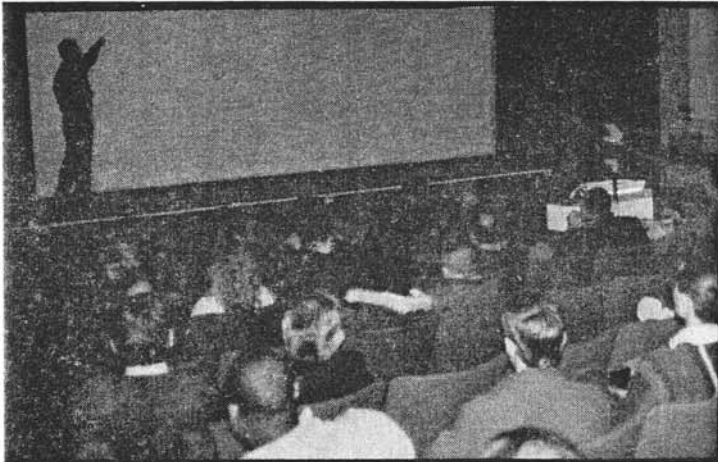
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Town Hall Meeting

CDR Phil D. Ray held the second "Town Hall" meeting on January 31. As well as members of the command, all interested personnel from the local community were also invited. Closure dates of services on base were the main topic of discussion. A base Commemoration Ceremony date of September 13, 1996, was announced. The ceremony will be open to all base personnel and the local community.

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The Acey-Deucey Association held elections for new officers, with the following results, (front row, L-R) Graham Crighton, Assistant Treasurer; UT2 Dan Mateik, Public Affairs Officer; (back row, L-R) CTM1 Patricia Hinrichs, Vice President; CTM2 Lorraine Bartlett, President; CTA2 Toni Hering, Treasurer; PH2 Carole Rollman, Social Director; and CTA2 Rene' Bachtel, Secretary.

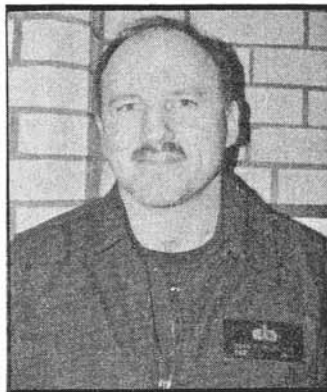
Edzell Expressions

Question of the Month: What battle is known as the "turning point" for America during the war in the Pacific Theater in WWII?

by LNI Frank Thies



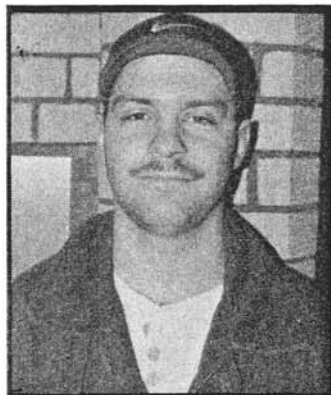
YNC Kevin A. Baker
"Battle of Midway."



TSgt Dean E. Middleton
"Battle of Midway."



CTM1 Timothy P. Cleary
"Battle of Midway."



CTR3 Joseph T. Leonard
"Battle of Midway."



CTR3 Jay M. Juhl
"Battle of Midway."



EW2 Larry G. Bartlett
"Battle of Midway."

Answer: The Battle of Midway, June 3 - 6, 1942. Japan loses four aircraft carriers, a heavy cruiser, 350 planes and scores of its best trained aviators. (source: "The U.S. Navy in World War Two - by S.E. Smith")

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s



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(front row, L-R) CTM1 Marvin McCain, LT Christopher Parker, MAC Karen Campomizzi, UT1 Michael Bonner, (back row, L-R) CTR2 Steven McDonald, CTT2 Jay Jennings, CTT2 William Howeth, CTT2 Anthony Browning, and CTT3 Michael Cliggett.

**Navy and Marine Corps
Commendation Medal**
MAC Karen Campomizzi

**Navy and Marine Corps
Achievement Medals**
LT Christopher Parker
UT1 Michael Bonner

**Fleet Letters of
Commendation**
CTM1 Marvin McCain
CTT2 Anthony Browning
CTT2 William Howeth
CTT2 Jay Jennings
CTT3 Michael Cliggett

Good Conduct Medals
CTT2 Anthony Browning
CTT2 Jay Jennings
CTR2 Steven McDonald



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Congratulations to CWO2 Cain on your recent promotion from SSgt!

Reenlistments This Month



During the month of January 1996, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended for a minimum of two years.

by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton

CTM2 Roy W. Staley

CTM1 Sean D. Morrell

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

CDR B.L. Drake performed the dual reenlistment ceremony for CTM1 Morrell and CTM2 Staley.

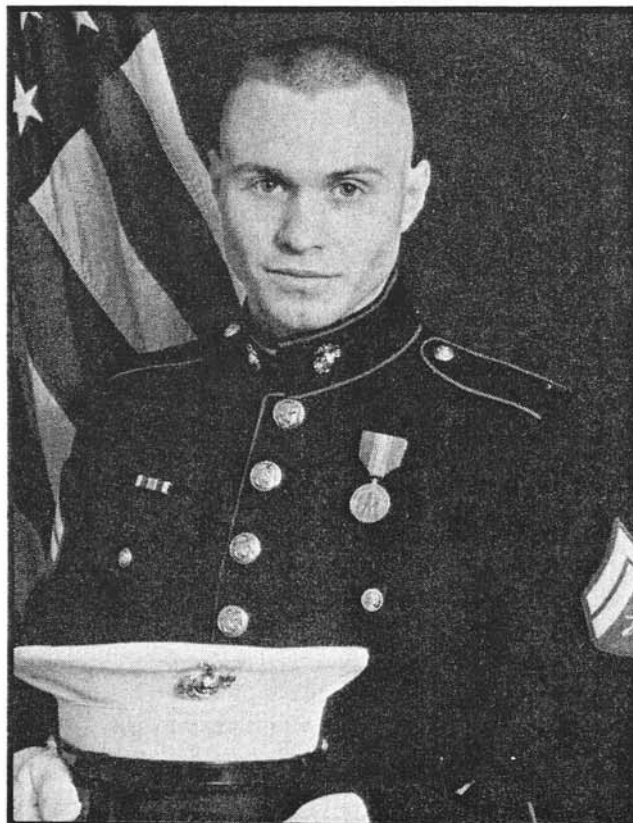


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Corporal Allen C. Place

**U.S.M.C.
Marine of the Quarter**

Corporal Allen C. Place was named Bravo Company's Marine of the Quarter for noteworthy performance of duties from October 1, to December 31, 1995. His exceptional work ethic and gung-ho attitude have elicited high praise from his superiors at both the Signals Collection Division and Classic Wizard. The standards CPL Price has set as the MCI NCO, mastering and administering all tasks associated with this important additional duty highlights his professionalism. His continued superior performance on the physical fitness test speaks volumes about his single minded focus on performing to the best of your ability at all times. This sustained display of leadership by example reflects great credit upon CPL Price and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps. Congratulations on your selection!



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Senior Sailor of the Quarter CTA2 Pamela S. Fusco

Cyptologic Technician Second Class Pamela S. Fusco was selected as the Senior Sailor of the Quarter for the first quarter of fiscal year 1996.

Petty Officer Fusco serves as the Leading Petty Officer for the Administrative Division (Bldg. 300) and is responsible for providing support to over 350 personnel assigned to the Operations and Maintenance Departments. Since assuming this position Petty Officer Fusco has eliminated a significant number of clerical errors by implementing a quality control program providing a more efficient and accurate end-product.

Petty Officer Fusco is also an active member of the RAF Edzell community. During the past few months she has volunteered to participate in several club and organizational activities including the 200 mile "Toys for Tots" run sponsored by Company B, the 2nd Annual Turkey Trot, worked at Santa's Workshop, was a Christmas Vacation Bible School teacher, is involved in the USMC Wives Club and local Girl Scout's Brownie Troop.

Petty Officer Fusco has brilliantly and successfully met all professional and personal challenges while maintaining sustained superior performance.

Congratulations on your selection!

Junior Sailor of the Quarter MSSN Karlene V. Henry

Mess Management Specialist Seaman Karlene V. Henry was selected as the Junior Sailor of the Quarter for the first quarter 1996.

SN Henry is responsible for the preparation and serving of 400 meals each day to patrons of the Highland Galley and two other satellite galleys, while ensuring that the highest sanitation standards for all food service spaces is maintained. She is also the Assistant Divisional Training Petty Officer for the Supply Department.

Although SN Henry has only been onboard for five months as a junior Mess Management Specialist, she quickly proved her ability to tackle any task assigned, producing exceptional results. Because of her attention to detail the galley has consistently scored outstanding on Preventive Medicine inspections given by the base Medical Department. As a result of her impeccable performance the inspection is now only performed monthly as opposed to bi-weekly.

SN Henry constantly strives to improve and is an extremely dedicated highly motivated young Sailor. A true team player with a positive attitude.

Congratulations on your selection!



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Company Corner

Welcome, Ladies and Gents, to another edition of the "Company Corner."

Company Bravo has been relieved of their post and will be departing Edzell in the very near future. The draw-down of the company is progressing steadily with the departure of a few of our fine Leathernecks. Staff Sergeant Cain was commissioned to the rank of Warrant Officer (WO1), after which, he and his lovely family departed Scotland. WO1 Cain will attend the Basic School in Quantico, Virginia, before starting a tour of duty at Cherry Point, North Carolina. Corporal and Mrs. Walker are enroute to 2nd Radio Battalion, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. OOHRAH! Lastly, Captain Beymer and Corporal Stephens are separating from the Corps to explore the forgotten world of civilian life. We wish you luck, Marines.

Despite our draw-down, the Company is still sending Marines to serve temporary duty assignments where need be. Major Tyson is attending the Senior Substance Abuse Awareness Seminar in Leesburg, Virginia, and Gunnery Sergeant Kennedy is expanding his knowledge of the Marine Corps by attending the Advanced Staff Non-Commissioned Officer Course in Quantico, Virginia. We eagerly await their return.

Congratulations to Corporal Place for being recognized as Company Bravo's Marine of the Quarter. Though the selection process was tough, Corporal Place managed to muscle out his competition due to his level of maturity, professionalism, and impeccable military appearance. Keep charging, Devil-Dog!

Corporal Place wasn't the only Marine credited for his technical and tactical military skills. Corporal Warren was selected as NSGA Edzell's Communicator of the Quarter for 30 Department. His technical expertise and devotion to duty resulted in his selection.

Company Bravo is doing something different this month. Instead of giving you a Marine Quote of the Month, we are reciting a poem written by Catherine Irwin.



*"They hail from town and country,
They hail from mountains high,
They hail from coastal hamlets
With one aim - to do or die.*

*They've come to join together
To do our country proud,
And pledge heartfelt devotion
With voices clear and loud.*

*They identify with bravery
Through blood and guts and tears,
And deserve the admiration
They've gained throughout the
years.*

*We owe them our allegiance
For they gladly give their all
To keep our precious freedom
As they heed our country's call.*

*They shine on the parade grounds
In those keen Marine Corps
"blues"
So richly decorated,
Having earned a hero's dues.*

*God grant they never falter
In the job they do so well,
And enhance the Corps' tradition
Through brave stories they can
tell."*

*With pride, patriotism and loyalty, Company
Bravo continues to go forward. Until next
month, Semper Fi!*

by Cpl Mark Monceballez



OWL's Perch

Hello from everyone here at Naval Security Group Support Detachment Four (NSGSD 4). Several months have passed since our last "screech" (some people actually thought that we had left). Although we at Classic Owl have been quiet, we have also been very busy.

The Detachment recently completed a comprehensive, 365 hour, Commander Operations Test and Evaluation on the Classic Owl II System. During this intense evolution, personnel were asked to display their operational skills and prowess, resulting in a 98% system availability rating.

The men and women of Detachment Four have also been involved in the hectic process of preparing for our relocation. A great deal of time and energy will be spent over the next several months keeping the burden of moving as light as is possible for Detachment members and their families.

Welcome Aboard!

LT Michele Daley-Ryan and Family
CTR2 Forrest Leamon
CTR2 Michael Malinowski
CTM2 Ricky Pottebaum and Family
CTR3 Craig Bailey

Farewell!

LT Tom Ertel (USS Mississippi)
CTM1 Bill Blank (NIWA)
CTM2 Brian Wesloskie (NIWA)
CTR3 Shawn Whitman (NIWA)

Advancements

CTM2 Danny Cooper
CTM2 Ricky Pottebaum
CTM2 Brian Wesloskie

Navy & Marine Corps Commendation Medal

LT Tom Ertel (1st Award)

Congratulations are in order for CTM1(SW) Timothy N. Horsley, who was selected as Naval Information Warfare Activity Senior Sailor of the Quarter (4th Quarter 95). Also to CTR1 Timothy W. Bishop and CTR3 Jeb S. Mobley, on their selection respectively as NSGSD 4 Senior and Junior Sailors of the Year for 1995.

Special congratulations are in order for Petty Officer Bishop, who was subsequently selected as Naval Information Warfare Activity (NIWA) Senior Sailor of the Year 1995. Petty Officer Bishop will now represent NIWA in the Commander, Naval Security Group Sailor of the Year competition.

Good Conduct Medal

CTM2 Ricky Pottebaum (1st Award)

1995 NSGSD

Sailors of the Quarter, 4th Qtr

CTM1 (SW) Timothy Horsley
CTR3 Jeb Mobley

1995 NSGSD

Sailors of the Year

CTR1 Timothy Bishop
CTR3 Jeb Mobley

1995 NAVINFOWARACT

Sailor of the Year

CTR1 Timothy Bishop

EYE CARE AND PROTECTION

THE MOST IMPORTANT FEATURE ON YOUR FACE?

THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTION:

It may be easy to imagine eyes without a face, but what about a face without eyes? Eyesight is a precious gift, yet it is in constant danger of being damaged or even destroyed as we go about our everyday work - whether the job is at a desk, in a laboratory, or in a factory. Some of the risks are more obvious than others, but all can be identified. The appropriate precautions can be taken either by eliminating or reducing the hazard at the source, or by the use of proper protective wear. While there is extensive legislation that compels employers to supply protective equipment or, alternatively, to have machinery eye-guarded, we all too often see operators ignoring the requirements to wear and use eye protection.

POTENTIAL SOURCES OF EYE INJURY:

Mechanical operations offer the most obvious source of danger, particularly where dust, powders or particles arise from the use of materials such as wood, metal, plastic, brick, cement, coal and sand. Equally, there are hazards arising from hot solids, molten metals and gases. The cornea can easily be scratched by flying dust and particles, the result is discomfort or soreness in the eye which may last for several days. More severe damage to the cornea will result in cloudy vision, while particles travelling at 20 feet per second can penetrate to injure the iris and eye lens itself. Liquid chemicals, whether acid

*R. M. Donaldson
Safety Manager*

or alkaline, are a particular threat to the thin cornea and surrounding tissue, as these can easily be burned and/or scarred by mists or sprays. Corneal grafts cannot always be made onto badly burned tissue and therefore the restoration of sight cannot be assured.

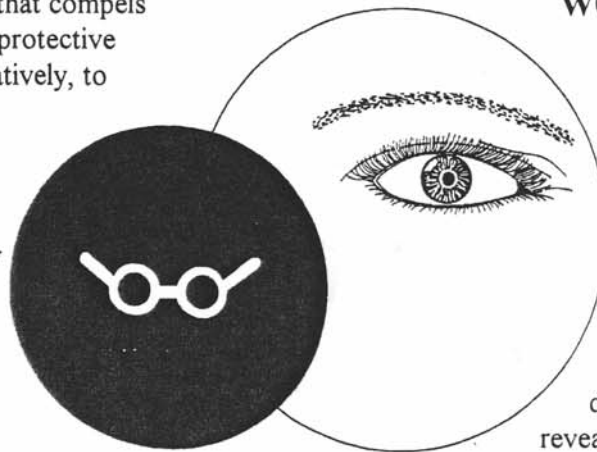
THE EFFECTS OF WHITE LIGHT AND WHITE HEAT IN THE WORKPLACE:

The main areas of radiation are from glare, ultra-violet and infra-red sources, lasers and microwaves. Often the damage done is not immediately noticeable because, unlike mechanical and chemical hazards, the dangers are mostly not visible. The effects may take days, weeks or even months to reveal themselves.

REMEMBER:

- Wear eye protection appropriate to the hazard.
- Use eye-guards where they are provided.

***YOU ONLY HAVE TWO EYES -
THEY ARE NOT REPLACEABLE!
THINK WHAT A MOMENTS
INDECISION COULD ROB YOU OF!***



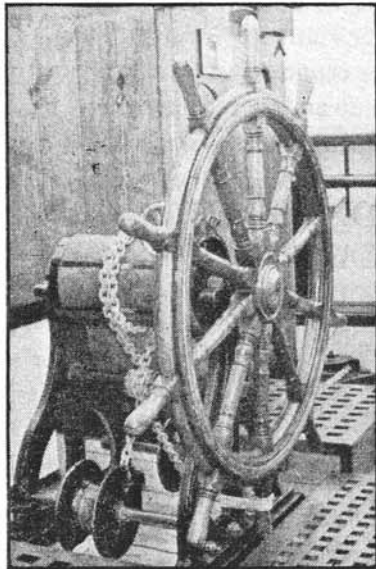
Discovery Point; Point of Discovery

Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Discovery Point, a historical exhibition located in Dundee, is an exciting, educational experience for adventurers of any age! The Point is designed to familiarize patrons with the Royal Research Ship Discovery. Award-winning exhibits and special effects create life-like images and lasting memories.

Each room of the exhibition is dedicated to recreating significant events the ship and her crew experienced. In the first room, The Specification, you learn how the engineers designed the Discovery.

The Adventure Begins takes you to meet the organizers of what may have been the greatest expedition to Antarctica. Construction on the magnificent ship began in 1900.



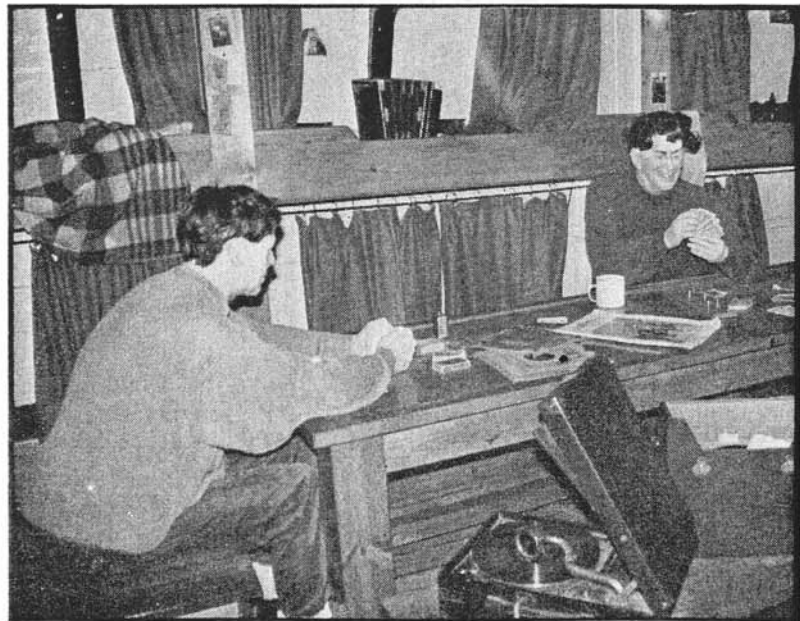
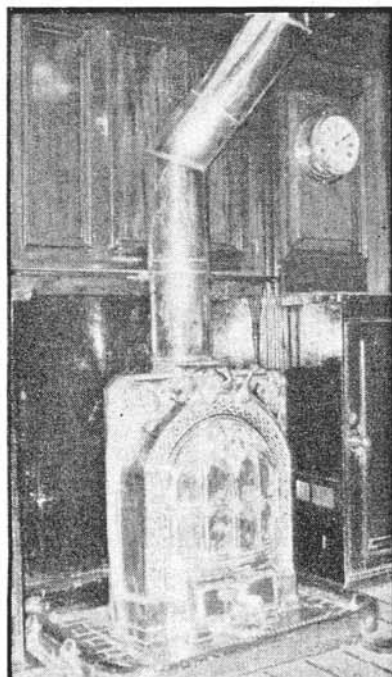
In The Shipyard you virtually become one of the shipbuilders who helped construct the enormous wooden structure built to ensure safety and protection during her passage through treacherous icy waters.

At The Launch Ceremony (March 21, 1901), you socialize with guests and listen to speeches. It's not hard to imagine the thoughts of the crew as Discovery slides down the slipway beginning her great adventure.

Join Captain Scott and the crew of the Royal Research Ship Discovery on their journey to Antarctica by following the sights and sounds of Locked in Ice, an exciting 13 minute film production that recreates Discovery's antarctic explorations.

Proceed to Scientific Research and Exploration to watch the scientists gather information in the frigid Antarctic and make discoveries that are still important today. Here you are offered an opportunity to observe articles retrieved from the most desolate continent on earth.

Which brings you to The Fogotten Years. Although Discovery



(photo left) The original salamander stove in the wardroom of the Discovery. The helm of the RRS Discovery. (above) Life-like wax figure display in the enlisted living quarters of the Discovery.

brought Captain Scott back from the Antarctic in 1904, her adventure was not over. The Hudson Bay Trading Company purchased Discovery in 1905, and she was converted to a merchant ship. As a merchant ship she served in the North Atlantic for six years.

The ship was chartered by France during World War I (1914 - 1918) to transport munitions to Russia. After the war several other companies chartered the ship to use as a merchant ship in the North Atlantic and the North Sea Routes.

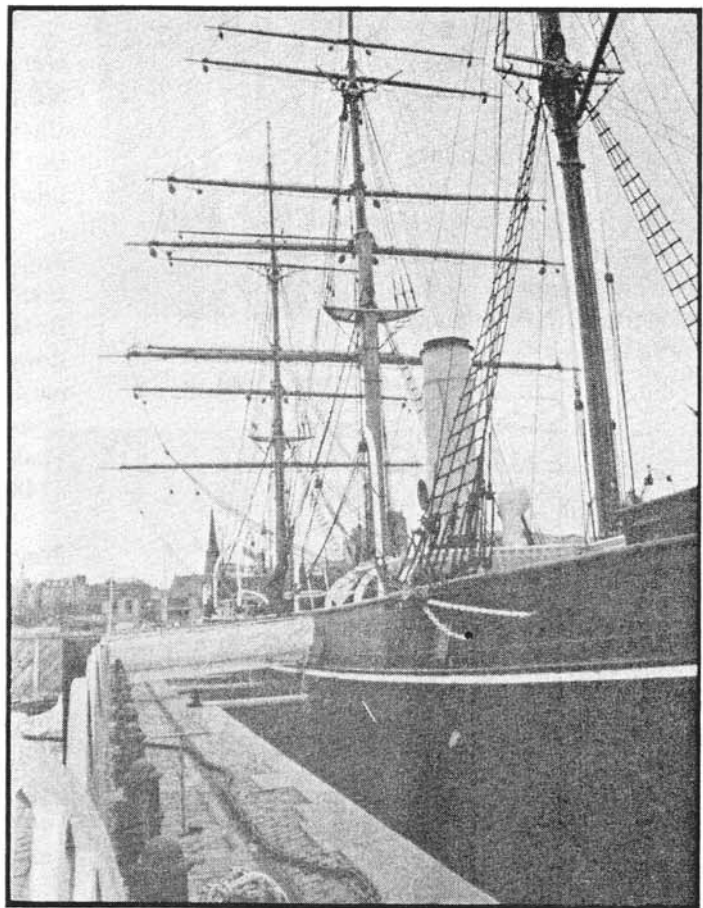
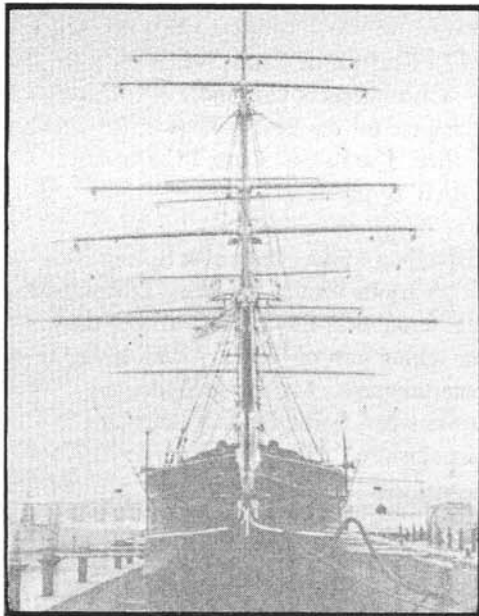
Discovery was refitted and returned to her original role as a research ship in 1923. Throughout the 1920's she participated in several marine conservation efforts one of the most important was whale research. In 1929, the British government lent her for major Antarctic research expeditions which were to

be her last voyages as a research ship.

From 1931 - 1976, Discovery was used for training purposes by a variety of organizations ranging from the Boy Scouts to the Royal Navy. In order to prevent her destruction in the late 1970's, ownership of the ship was transferred from the Ministry of Defence to the Maritime Trust Company. Her new owners began necessary repairs and the Discovery was made into a floating museum.

On April 2, 1985, the Discovery was welcomed home by an enormous crowd in Dundee, where she now permanently rests alongside Victoria dock, as a part of Discovery Point, one of Scotland's most exciting visitor attractions.

Discovery Point is open year-round from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (the exhibit closes at 4:00 p.m. between November and March). The wardroom aboard the Discovery is also available to rent but reservations are required. For further information contact the Community Relations Advisor (ext. 2279), or call Discovery Point at 01382-201245.



(photo top center) RRS Discovery, (bottom left) Dining table in the wardroom of the Discovery, (above) RRS Discovery moored at Victoria Dock.

Upcoming Events

EXHIBITIONS

May 25 - September 30 - Charles Rennie Mackintosh, 1868-1928. McLellan Galleries, 270 Sauchiehall St., Glasgow. A celebration of the life and works of Scotland's greatest designer and architect. Open Monday to Saturday 1000-2000, Sunday 1100-2000. McLellan Galleries, 270 Sauchiehall St., Glasgow G2 3EH, or phone 0141 331 1854.

June 15-22 - Broadstairs Dickens Festival. Various venues, Broadstairs, Kent. Festival includes a Dickensian garden party, country fair, music and a play. Ms. Lee Ault, Festival Organizer, Broadstairs Dickens Festival, Rooftops, 58 High St., Broadstairs, Kent CT10 1JT, or phone 01843 863453.

October 18 - 27 - British International Motor Show, NEC, Birmingham, West Midlands. Everything that is new to the motor industry in Britain will be on display. Society of Motor Manufacturers & Traders Ltd., Exhibition Department, Forbes House, Halkin St., London SW1X 7DS, or phone 0171 235 7000.



FESTIVALS

May 2 - 25 - Mayfest 1996, various venues, Glasgow. Annual festival covering a wide range of arts including theater, dance, rock and pop music, street entertainment and classical concerts. Festival Director, 18 Albion St., Glasgow G1 1LH, or phone 0141 552 8000.

May 15 - August 24 - Glyndebourne Festival Opera Season, Glyndebourne, Lewes, E. Sussex. International festival founded in 1934 by John Christie which presents a season of first class opera productions. Glyndebourne Festival Opera, Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex BN8 5UU, or phone 01273 812321.

May 20 - 26 - Scottish International Children's Festival, Inverleith Park, Edinburgh Lothian. Features theater, music, mime, dance and puppetry from around the world. Mr. Tony Reekie, 22 Laurie St., Edinburgh EH6 7AB, or phone 0131 554 6297.

June 28 - July 7 - Glasgow International Jazz Festival, various venues, Glasgow. One of the biggest celebrations of jazz in Europe. Ms Jill Rodger, 18 Albion St., Glasgow G1 1LH, or phone 0141 552 3552.

August 23 - 27 - Beatles Festival, various venues Liverpool, Merseyside. Music and entertainment connected with The Beatles. Mr. Bill Heckle, Cavern City Tours Ltd., The Cavern Club, 10 Mathew St., Liverpool L2 6RE, or phone 0151 236 9091.

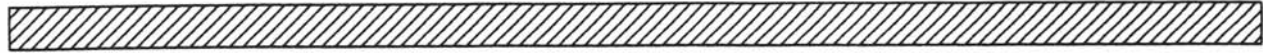
SHOWS AND DISPLAYS

March 14 - 17 - Crufts Dog Show, NEC, Birmingham. Championship dog show in which over 100 breeds compete for the Best in Show title. Crufts Dog Show Office, The Kennel Club, 1 Clarges St., London W1 8AB, or phone 0171 493 6651.

May 4 - 6 - Spalding Flower Parade & Springfields Country Fair. Various venues, Spalding Lincolnshire. Britain's biggest and best flower festival with the flower parade taking part on 6 May, with stalls, music and entertainment. Mr. Brian Willoghby, Commercial Manager, Springfields, Camelgate, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE12 6ET, or phone 01775 724843.

May 21 - 24 - Chelsea Flower Show (members only on 21-22 May) Royal Hospital, Royal Hospital Rd, Chelsea, London SW3. One of Britain's major flower shows, with specially designed gardens and spectacular flower displays. Shows Dept., Royal Horticultural Society, Vincent Sq., London SW1P 2PE, or phone 0181 834 4333.

May 25 - 26 - Air Fete '96, RAF Mildenhall, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk. The largest air display in the world, organized by the military and the best attended in Europe. Mr. R. Hoefling, Air Fete Office 513 ACCW/CV RAF Mildenhall, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk IP28 8NF, or phone 01638 543341.



June 20 - 23 - Royal Highland Show, Ingliston, Edinburgh. Scotland's national agricultural show. The Secretary, Royal Highland Agricultural Society of Scotland, Ingliston, Newbridge, Midlothian EH28 8NF, or phone 0131 333 2444.

June 15 - 16 - Biggin Hill International Air Fair, Biggin Hill Airport, Kent. A five hour display with a large exhibition and ground events. Mr. James Maitland, Air Displays International Ltd., Biggin Hill Airport, Kent TN16 3BN, or phone 01959 572277.

July 9 - 14 - Hampton Court Palace Flower Show, Hampton Court Palace, East Molesey Surrey. A major international garden and flower show taking place in conjunction with the British Rose Festival. Royal Horticultural Society, Vincent Sq., London SW1P 2PE, or phone 0181 834 4333.

July 9 - 20 - Royal Tournament, Earls Court Exhibition Center, Warwick Rd, London SW5 Military display of skill and pageantry by the armed forces, in aid of service charities. Bookings and information Box Office, Earls Court Exhibition Center, Warwick Rd, London SW5 9TA, or phone 0171 244 0244.

August 2 - 24 - Edinburgh Military Tattoo Edinburgh Castle, Edinburgh. Display of military color and pageantry, held at night on the floodlit ramparts of Edinburgh Castle. Performances Monday - Friday at 2100, Saturday at 1945 and 2230. Cost from £8 to £19. All major credit cards accepted. The Tattoo Office, 32 Market St., Edinburgh EH1 1QB, or phone 0131 225 1188.

August 17 - World Pipe Band Championships, Bellahouston Park, Glasgow. As well as the pipe band championships, this event includes highland games and athletics. Open 0900-1900. Mr. Hutchinson, Royal Scottish Pipe Band Assoc. 45 Washington St., Glasgow G3 8AZ, or phone 0141 221 5414.

November 10 - Lord Mayor's Procession & Show, The City of London. Each year a colorful parade takes place from The Guildhall to the Royal Courts of Justice to mark the inauguration of the new Lord Mayor, begins 1100. Mr. Reid, Pageantmaster, The Lord Mayor's Show, 1 Queen's Rd, Hertford SG14 1EN.

SPORTS

June 24 - July 7 - Lawn Tennis Championships, All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club, Wimbledon, London SW19. World famous doubles and singles championships for men and women. Prebooked tickets are by ballot which closed in December. However, outside court tickets are available daily at the gate.

August 30 - 31 - Cowal Highland Games, Dunoon, Argyll. The UK's largest gathering of pipe bands, 152 bands last year from around the world. Begins 0900 and ends at approximately 1700. No need to book tickets except for the stand.

September 7 - Braemar Royal Highland Gathering, Princess Royal & Duke of Fife Memorial Park, Braemar, Grampian. Kilted clansmen from all over Scotland tossing cabers, dancing and playing bagpipes, attended by members of the Royal Family.

November 3 - RAC London to Brighton Veteran Car Run, Hyde Park, London to Brighton, E. Sussex. Over 300 veteran car owners from all over the world take part in this 57 mile run, starts 0700. No tickets required, crowds gather in Hyde Park for pre-run festivities, and along the route to Brighton.



ANNIVERSARIES & CEREMONIES

June 15 - Trooping the Color. The Queen's official Birthday Parade, Horse Guards Parade, Whitehall, London. Colorful ceremony with music and pageantry during which Her Majesty the Queen takes the salute. Tickets are by ballot but you can watch the parade by standing anywhere on Pall Mall, or watch it all on television.

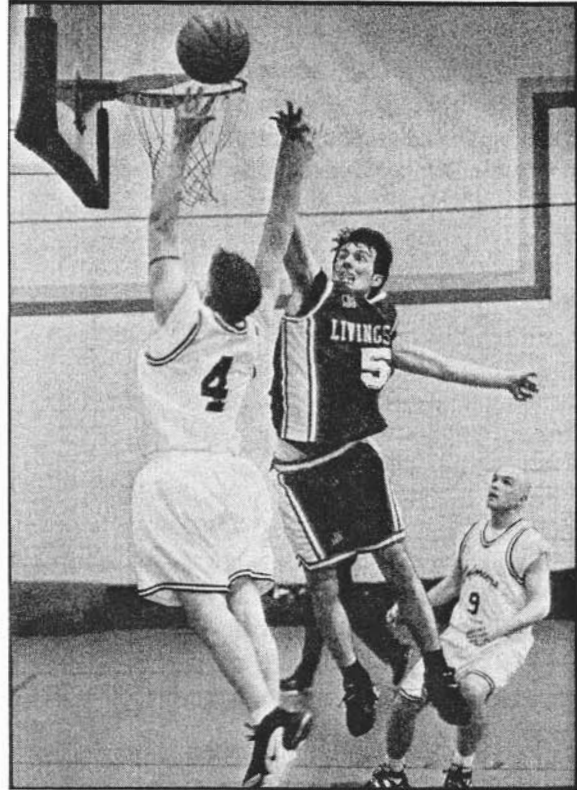
For more information on these and other events, contact Yvonne Cant, CRA, at ext. 2279.

Enforcers Battle the Bulls

by CTTI Fred Rogers

The men from RAF Edzell were back in action on Saturday, February 3, 1996, after postponing a game due to bad weather. Looking for their first win since the Christmas break, the Enforcers scored the first basket off the tip and exploded for 11 consecutive points in the first five minutes, taking the lead 21 - 15. They looked unstoppable, as though they would put the Bulls to sleep, but the Bulls came roaring back to take a half-time score of 47 - 42 in their favor. Playing a box-in-one on defense, the Enforcers were able to keep the Bulls fairly well contained, but the Enforcers shooting from the field was a mere 48% from the floor. It was a bad night of shooting from the outside despite Chapin and Rawls high scoring with 19 and 23 points respectively.

Six minutes into the second half the Enforcers pulled within two points of the lead, 57 - 59, and that was as close as they got. The Bulls were red hot and out to avenge their loss on Guy Fawkes Day, when the Enforcers handed the Bulls their first loss in three years. The Enforcers were unable to mount a consistent shooting attack to cool off the Bulls, who pushed their lead by 15 points in the late stages of the game and never looked back. Final score was Enforcers - 80, Livingston - 97.



Photography by Tammy Spencer

Royal Navy Wins Drawing

by Doug Stenzel

LT Neal Thomas of the Royal Navy detachment will soon be shooting skeet and driving Dune Buggies, 4 x 4's, and Quad Bikes, thanks to your FIRST FOR FUN MWR department. LT Thomas was the winner of the month-long club sponsored competition which was open to all base personnel who patronized the club during the month of January.

(photo right) LT Thomas receiving his gift voucher for a day of off-road rally excitement from clubs coordinator Doug Stenzel.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

Gangway Club Superbowl Tailgate Party

by Doug Stenzil

You don't need a stadium parking lot, campers and outdoor barbecues to hold a tailgate party. At RAF Edzell we hold our party inside, away from the elements (who wants to freeze to death?). This year, as in the past five years, over 150 of Edzell's frantic football fans gathered in the warmth of the Gangway Club Wheelhouse Bar for the big Superbowl Tailgate Party. The party featured many exciting events; a Superbowl trivia contest, passing and field goal kicking contest, best dressed fan, a drawing for a recliner, and of course, free food.

Glenn Spencer, Jim Rainforth, and Rich Branch, won the trivia contest by a wide margin, displaying an extensive knowledge of obscure football facts. Did you know that Chuck Howley was the only MVP from a losing superbowl team? Well, they did.

This year was our first attempt at holding a pass & kick contest, and judging by the turn out, it will not be our last. One might ask how can you hold a pass & kick contest inside a bar? It's easy! Find lots of would-be quarterbacks and placekickers willing to display their athletic ability, add some creativity and presto, instant fun!

Pass and kick contest winners were: Females - passing, Nikki Legan; kicking, Andrea Merchant. Males - passing, Mike Cliggett; kicking, Glenn Spencer. Best dressed fan went to Jamie Patton. Don Woodcock took home the big prize, the recliner (the best seat in the house) and received free beverages during the game. Don was a regular at all the Sunday NFL games and a deserving winner of the recliner.

Mark your calendars now for next year's Superbowl Tailgate Party, keeping in mind it will be our last, and we guarantee, the best one yet.

ALL-NAVY FUN RUN

by CTR1 Glenn Spencer

The results of the All-Navy Fun Run were recently announced. Finishing in third place for seven-year-old boys was NSGA Edzell's, Bryan Spencer. He completed the 1K course in three minutes and 38 seconds. This was Bryan's second year finishing in the top three, adding to the first place finish he captured last year as a six-year-old.

The All-Navy Fun Run is actually held in June, with nearly 3,000 participants from throughout the Navy. Runners race against the clock at their respective bases and the timed results are sent to Washington, where they are compared to the times of other runners in the same age group.

Bryan, the son of CTR1 Glenn Spencer and Tammy Spencer, is a student at Laurencekirk primary school. In addition to running, Bryan participates in several youth sports, including bowling, T-ball and basketball. He also ran 10 miles to help the Marine Corps reach their goal during their Christmas Toys For Tots Run. His other hobbies include reading, playing video games and annoying his sister, Sarah.

Bryan is looking forward to his third year participating in the Captain's Cup 5 and 10K runs. He is also anxious to get back to the States this summer, where he can enter more races against kids his own age.



Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

ODE TO BOBBY CAMPBELL MBE

FOR THIRTY YEARS THIS GLASGOW MAN
HAS GIVEN SERVICE TO THE CROWN
AND RAISED 180,000 POUNDS FOR CHARITY
AS HE'S WALKED FROM TOWN TO TOWN

WHILST WALKING THE LENGH OF BRITAIN
HE'S HAD AMERICANS BY HIS SIDE
JUST RAISING CASH FOR NEEDY KIDS
THEIR HEARTS WOULD FILL WITH PRIDE

AN ORDINARY BLOKE NO FRILLS OR FUSS
A MAN TO SPEAK HIS MIND
HE TOOK ONE SMALL STEP FOR CHILDREN'S NEEDS
A GIANT LEAP JUST TO BE KIND

IN ALL THOSE YEARS HE'S HAD SUPPORT
FROM THE SERVICES AT THIS BASE
THEIR LOYALTY AND THEIR BACKING
HAS DETERMINED BOBBY'S PACE

YOUR RETIRING HERE IN EDZELL
BUT WHERE WILL YOU MAKE A POUND
NO MORE WALKING ROUND THE GUARD SHACK
YOU COULD GET A PAPER ROUND

SO BOBBY AND MARIA
I HOPE LIFE GOES WELL WITH YOU
NEW ADVENTURES ROUND THE CORNERS
TO SEE YOU THROUGH AND THROUGH



(top photo) MSGT Thomas Canavan receives a plaque from Constable Bobby Campbell at Campbell's retirement. (center) Constable Bobby Campbell.

by CSO5 David Paterson

RAF Edzell to be Represented in London Marathon

Four members of the RAF Edzell community are entered in this years Flora London Marathon. This year the marathon will be held April 20th. These four individuals have entered the marathon as a team with each of the four services represented. The team members are TSgt Dan Greenbaum of the Air Force, SGT Raymond Kline of the Army, GySgt Stan Kennedy of the Marines and LTJG Todd Gagnon of the Navy.

The team has planned fund raising events to help defray the cost of the trip. The next is on March 23rd at the Car Boot Sale. Any donation is greatly appreciated.

For more information contact TSgt Dan Greenbaum at extension 2318.



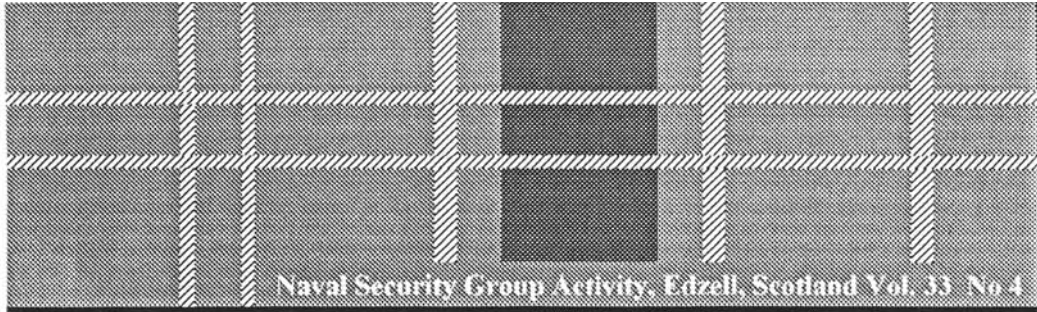


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MAY NATIONAL NAVY PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS MONTH

May

ASIAN/PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- 04 - Craft & Antique Fair
- 12 - Mother's Day
- 20 - Armed Forces Day
- 27 - Memorial Day (observed)
- 30 - Memorial Day

June

CANCER IN THE SUN MONTH

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An Anniversary Celebration at the Ship's Inn.

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



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From the Bridge



CDR Phil Ray

It appears that we have weathered the winter and can now look forward to longer, brighter days for the next several months. I want to give everyone a big pat on the back for making the winter a safe one. We had no major accidents on the roads or in our homes and, with all the snow and ice that was there, I'd say that was outstanding. So, thanks for taking care of yourselves and each other. But, as always, my friendly reminder to continue to be careful out there. With the nice weather becoming more common and our coming out of hibernation, more activity means more chances to get hurt. There is still lots of snow "up the glen" and on the cairn o' mounth. Forewarned is forearmed!

Some big milestones are coming up regarding our closure. Building 300 operations cease on 15 July and building 340 operations cease on 30 September. Everything is going very smoothly and we are making good progress while trying to minimize the impact to our daily lives. It's a team effort all the way so if you see something that you think no one has thought of, please bring it to someone's attention - like me.

And last but not least! April is PRT month for NSGA members. My offer still stands for a 4-day liberty for any sailor who can beat my total point score on the PRT. I didn't give any out the last time, but I'm looking forward to getting an opportunity to pass some out in May.

In the meantime remember that we all need a helping hand every now and then so please look around and see if there is any one you can help today.

Women's History Month: *A Time for Reflection*

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

“Amazing Grace”

The month of March is the month we, as a nation, have set aside to recognize women. It is a time to reflect, to remember the struggle for equality and the accomplishments of women both past and present. During this time of reflection, one woman who may come to mind is Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper. RADM Hopper is not only a prominent figure in women's history but one of the most prominent women in Naval history as well.

Grace Murray was born December 9, 1906. She was the eldest of three children followed in age by her sister Mary and her brother Roger. Her father, Walter Murray, was an insurance broker. Grace shared her love of math with her mother, Mary Campbell Van Horne Murray. She was a curious child with a particular interest in gadgets and how they work. This curiosity, combined with attributes instilled by her father, contributed to the successes Grace experienced throughout her life.

In 1928, at the age of 22, she graduated Vassar with a major in mathematics and physics. She married Vincent Hopper in 1930. By 1934 she earned a Ph.D. in mathematics from Yale; an accomplishment shared by few in those days especially a woman. Grace joined the teaching staff at Vassar in 1931 and she remained on the staff until the onset of World War II.

When war came Grace wanted to serve her country by joining the Navy. Among other obstacles she faced, government officials had determined that mathematicians could best serve the war effort as civilians.

One by one Grace overcame these obstacles and was finally sworn into the Navy in December 1943. She trained at the Midshipmen's School at Northampton, ironically alongside some of her former students. She was commissioned a lieutenant (junior grade) after graduating first in her class in June 1944. The Navy sent her straight to Harvard, where she worked on a computation project. Her arrival coincided with the arrival of the Mark 1 computer (an automated sequence controlled calculator designed to perform the complex calculations needed to aim the Navy's new guns, acoustic and magnetic mines, self-Information used in this story was found in the book *"Crossed Currents"* and an article published in the April 1992 edition of *"Chips"* magazine.

propelled rockets, and eventually the atomic bomb). Throughout the war she was a member of the team that operated the Mark 1. After the war, the Navy declined to keep her on active duty so she joined the inactive reserves. Some time later the Navy reversed this decision and Hopper was one of the first women invited to enlist in the active reserves.

During her prestigious 43-year naval career RADM Hopper was credited with, among many other accomplishments, the development of the Bomarc system. This system, later named COBOL (common-business-oriented language), literally changed the lives of everyone in the computer industry. COBOL enabled computers to respond to words rather than numbers. As a Commander in 1966, Hopper decided to retire but was recalled to active duty in August of 1967. This assignment, which was originally supposed to be six months, turned into a lifetime after her orders were changed to say her services would be needed indefinitely.

In 1986, Hopper, now a Rear Admiral, was involuntarily retired from active duty aboard the USS Constitution. At the ceremony she was presented the Defense Distinguished Service Medal - the highest award given by the Department of Defense. This award joined countless other awards presented by the Navy and the industry.

After her retirement Hopper became a Senior Consultant to Digital Equipment Corporation. In this position she functioned in the same capacity as she had in the Navy. She remained active in this position until 18 months before her death in 1992.

Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors. RADM Hopper lives on through her own insights into the future and the lives of the many individuals she touched.

Last year the keel of a new Guided Missile Destroyer, to be christened USS Hopper, was laid at the shipyard in Bath, Maine. The decision made by the Navy to name this combatant after Hopper underscores the respect she has earned from the Navy. Women in the modern Navy now have a solid path to follow, a path paved by women like RADM Hopper, which leads from the outer most boundaries of the Navy to its heart.

Happy Birthday Seabees

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The 54th Annual Seabee Birthday Ball was held Saturday, March 16, at the Park Hotel in Montrose. By 1800 the ballroom was filled with guests eager for the festivities to begin. The guests enjoyed dinner around 1900 after Chaplin Hubbard delivered the Invocation. During dinner guests unfamiliar with Seabee community were quickly initiated by sharing some traditions.

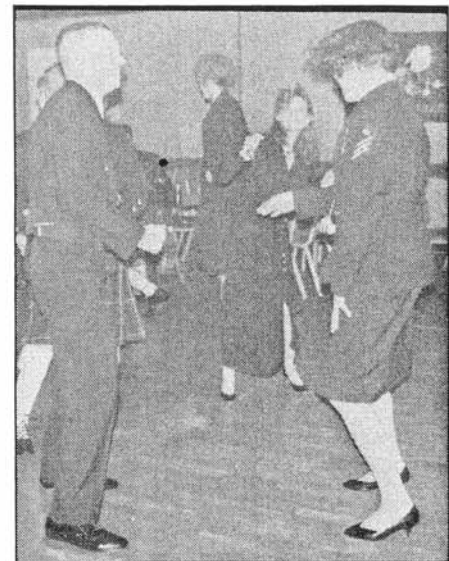
Toasts were offered to the Queen, the President of the United States and honoring the birthday of the Civil Engineer Corps/Seabees. The Commanding Officer of NSGA Edzell provided a few words of motivation for the Seabees. Afterwards, the attention of the crowd was directed to the guest speaker CUCM John West, the Command Master Chief for the 2nd Naval Construction Brigade.

CUCM West briefly spoke about Seabee pride and camaraderie. MCPO West said it was easy for him to accept this invitation. He said it's important to visit the smaller places to keep all members of the Seabee community well informed and motivated.

The introduction of Edzell's Seabees followed the guest speaker and then the youngest and oldest Seabee assisted in a traditional cake cutting ceremony. The tables were cleared at about 2100 revealing an enormous dance floor. Music poured out of the speakers and the floor was immediately flooded by couples. The birthday celebration continued until around 0200 when the last duty van left the hotel, bringing the evening to a close.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman





What is a SEABEE?

author unknown

Between a Sailor and a Marine, there stands an individual called a SEABEE.

SEABEES come in assorted sizes, shapes, and weights, but all have the same code: to enjoy every second of every hour of every day, whether at work or at play, and to protest by griping (their most beloved privilege) when issued an order.

SEABEES are found everywhere: on top of, inside of, climbing on, swinging from, running around, or more likely than not turning to.

Mothers and sweethearts love them, fathers are proud of them, brothers and sisters admire and look up to them, Airdales hate them, Company Commanders and Department heads tolerate them, and Chief Petty Officers drive them.

A SEABEE is a composite. They have the appetite of a horse, the digestion of a sword swallower, the energy of a pocket sized atomic bomb, the curiosity of a cat, the lungs of a dictator, the imagination of Paul Bunyan, the slyness of a violin, the enthusiasm of a fire cracker, and the spirit of a fighting cock. They like liberty, leave, holidays, weekends, chow, movies, gedunk, sleep, and lots of hard work.

(opposite page)(photo top right) Guest speaker at the Seabee Ball was CUCM John West, the Command Master Chief for the 2nd Naval Construction Brigade. (bottom left) Toasts were offered to the Queen, the President of the United States and to the birthday of the Civil Engineer Corps/Seabees. (bottom right) After dinner, celebrants danced the night away.

They are not to hot for: duty nights, watches, taps, reveille, routine discipline, drills, or secured heads.

Nobody else is so early to rise without wanting to get up. No other person gets so much fun out of liberty, or shore patrol. No one else can have so much fun on so little money.

A SEABEE is a magical creature. You can chew them out but you can't get the work done without them. They tend to be dirty, unpolished, unkept, often overbearing, and sometimes reluctant.

A SEABEE is a person of magical abilities. They can weld, build, drive, repair, and fight, they can wreck or beautify, they can make something out of nothing, work never seems to tire them nor do they seem to tire of it.

Their motto is "CAN DO" to which has been added "HAS DONE" and "DID." This frequently miraculous occurrence is recognized in the form of a "WELL DONE" by everyone from the Commanding Officer on down.

The average SEABEE is a thick headed individual of a variety of nationalities. They won't admit it to anyone, anywhere, except in the defense of their corps, that theirs is the best job in the Navy. Without them the fleet would have nothing to gripe about, Marines would have nothing to talk about, and history would have nothing to write about.

NSGA Edzell Visits USS John Rodgers

Story and photography by LNI Frank Thies

On March 1, seventy members of RAF Edzell's community journeyed by bus to Edinburgh for a tour of the U.S. Navy destroyer, **USS JOHN RODGERS (DD 983)**. After being welcomed on board, the Edzell folks were divided into several groups and taken on a guided tour of the ship. For many of the visitors, this was a first time encounter with the "sailing" part of the term sailor. Readily apparent was the fact that sailors stationed on ships work extremely hard even while in a liberty port. The sailors of the **JOHN RODGERS** were involved in many different tasks ranging from chipping and painting, to unloading stores and working aloft.

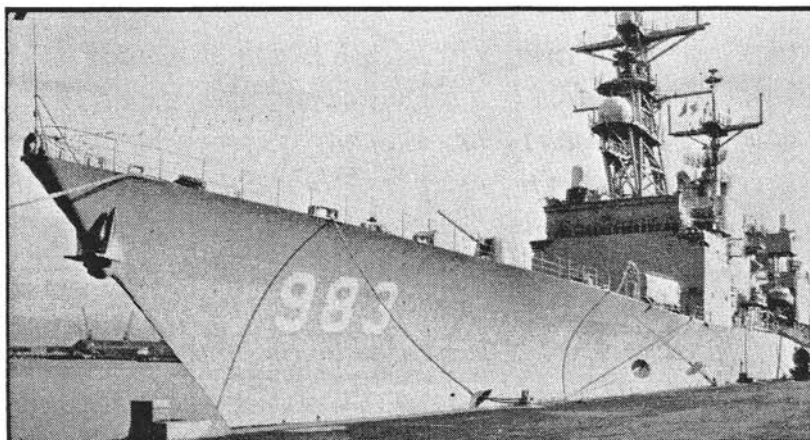
The senses of the visitors were treated to the unforgettable sights, sounds and smells of life on a warship. For those who have been to sea before, it brought back fond memories. The time the officers and men of the **JOHN RODGERS** took to introduce us to their proud ship is greatly appreciated.



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(left) Press the Red Button!



(above) Members of RAF Edzell journeyed to Edinburgh for a tour of **USS JOHN RODGERS**.
(left) U.S. Navy Destroyer, **USS JOHN RODGERS (DD 983)**, at port in Edinburgh.

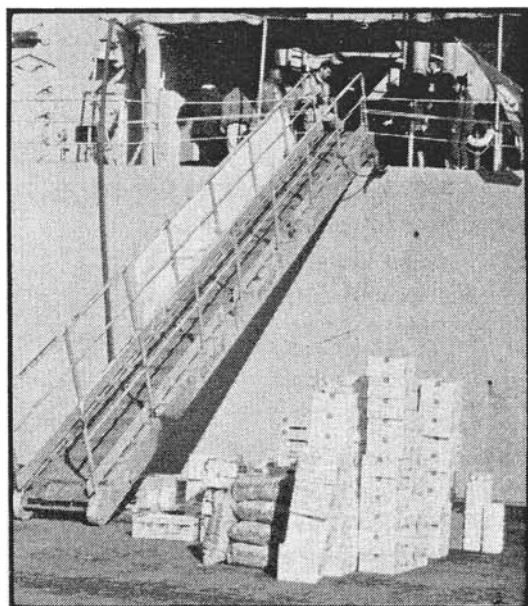
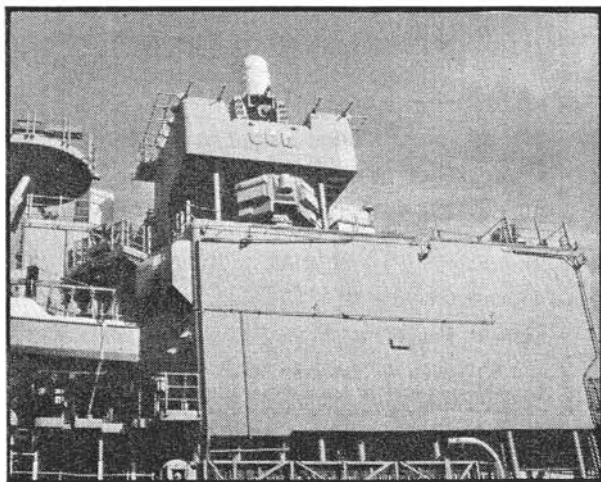
U.S. Participates in Joint Exercise

by CTA1 David H. Yarh, PAO USS JOHN ROGERS

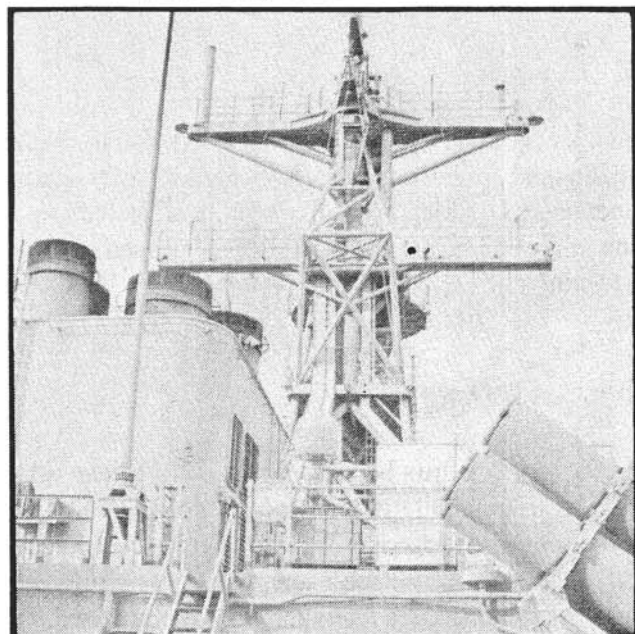
The USS JOHN ROGERS (DD 983) participated in the Joint Maritime Course (JMC) 96-1 from February 19 - 29. John Rodgers departed Mayport, Florida on the 6th of February and after a brief stop for fuel in the Azores, headed to Faslane, Scotland, to attend briefings and meet with the other ships taking part in the exercise. The multinational training operation took place off the Northern coast of Great Britain and included the following ships:

USS JOHN ROGERS, HMS BATTLEAXE, HMS CAMPBELTOWN, HMS NOTTINGHAM, HMS GLASGOW, HMS SHEFFIELD, SNS REINA SOFIA, SNS ASTURIAS, HMS ATHERSTONE, HMS QUORN, HMS SANDOWN, HMS WALNEY, RFA FORT VICTORIA, RFA ORANGELEAF, RMAS SALMASTER and RMAS ROLLICKER from various NATO nations including the United States, Great Britain, France, Spain, and Norway. JMC 96-1 focused on battle group warfare in all combat mission areas, including over the horizon targeting, actual Sea Sparrow missile engagements, 5in gun and 20mm Close In Weapons System firings and undersea tracking operations.

After the joint exercise, the crew enjoyed liberty in Edinburgh, Scotland; Bremerhaven, Germany; and Amsterdam, Netherlands. On the return Atlantic transit, the ship will stop in Bermuda for liberty and to pick up several family members and friends of the crew to embark on a two-day Tiger Cruise back to Mayport. John Rodgers is commanded by Commander Roger C. Easton, Jr."



Every port visit gives the opportunity to replenish depleted ship's stores.



(top left and bottom right) Displayed are the Sea Sparrow Missile, Over the Horizon Targeting, and Close In Weapons Systems.



April - Alcohol Awareness Month

The word awareness is defined in “The Random House College Dictionary”:
as informed, alert and knowledgeable. The following is a list of facts
presented to help members of this community achieve an awareness of
alcohol.

The Facts About Alcohol

Alcohol is one of the most destructive drugs known to mankind. That’s right--drug, not beverage. Although it’s a drug, it is still legal and eight out of every ten adults use it. It’s been linked to a long list of serious physical illnesses and is responsible for 50 percent of all auto fatalities and 20 percent of all deaths (including cirrhosis, alcohol related cancer, pancreatitis, etc.) every year. It is, without a doubt, one of the world’s most abused substances.

Who

Americans aren’t the only people who drink too much. In fact, Americans drink less than people in many other countries - we’re only number 15 in terms of total per capita consumption. France, Portugal and Italy top the list. American attitudes about liquor have flipfopped from a free marketplace in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries to Prohibition in the 1920’s, to repeal of Prohibition in the 1930’s, to lowering of the legal drinking age through the 1960’s and 1970’s to a current national drinking age of 21-years-old.

Why

Alcohol’s continued use and abuse is partly due to the fact that we give it such a high profile in movies, television, and advertisements. Role models such as athletes promote its use in very successful TV commercials. Drinking beer after work is depicted as part of a healthy, robust life-style (of course, getting home alive from the bar is not mentioned in these ads). Other ads show beautiful people drinking in sexy clothing.

Alcohol as a Drug

Alcohol is called a drug because its main ingredient, ethanol, acts as a central nervous system depressant. Just like a sleeping pill. In high enough doses it’s also an anesthetic. At lower doses, it lowers inhibitions and causes behavior change. How impaired someone becomes from the depressant effects of alcohol is directly related to the person’s age, weight, sex, prior experience, and level of tolerance. Alcohol, like every other drug, creates tolerance, so the more used, the more needed to achieve the same effect.

Sobering Up

Many myths exist about sobering up. For example, you cannot drink and then sober up with a cold shower or some coffee. Alcohol, like any other drug, is eliminated from the system at a steady rate. As the drug is expelled from the system, its effects lessen, so only time will help you sober up. In fact, if using the black coffee method, the stimulant effect of caffeine can make someone "feel sober" when they aren't. The false sense of security given by a cup of coffee for the road has led to many auto crashes.

In the Body

Alcohol is absorbed into the bloodstream rather uniformly, but the effect can be delayed if, for example, the person has just eaten a meal and the absorption rate of the alcohol is slowed. The first, short-term, physiological effects are an increase in heart rate, a warm, flushed effect, and loss of alertness. In larger amounts, perception is altered, vision is blurred and coordination can be hampered, an effect better known as "drunk." A hangover is the result of a drug (alcohol) overdose.

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DON'T GAMBLE WITH YOUR LIFE



DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE

RAF EDZELL'S SWITCH WINS AGAIN!

by ENS Eve Marhafer

For the second year in a row, RAF Edzell's British Telecom maintained telephone switch was selected as the best performing telephone switch worldwide.

The award was presented at the annual Integrated Logistics Support Conference held in Richardson, Texas, during the first week of March. There to receive the award was British Telecom's Mr. Eric Ainsley, who personally maintains the switch for RAF Edzell.

Our score of 98.3% was unmatched among all other switches worldwide. This competition covers all Northern Telecom switches deployed worldwide, approximately 90% of all U.S. government owned telephone switches, making it a very coveted award.

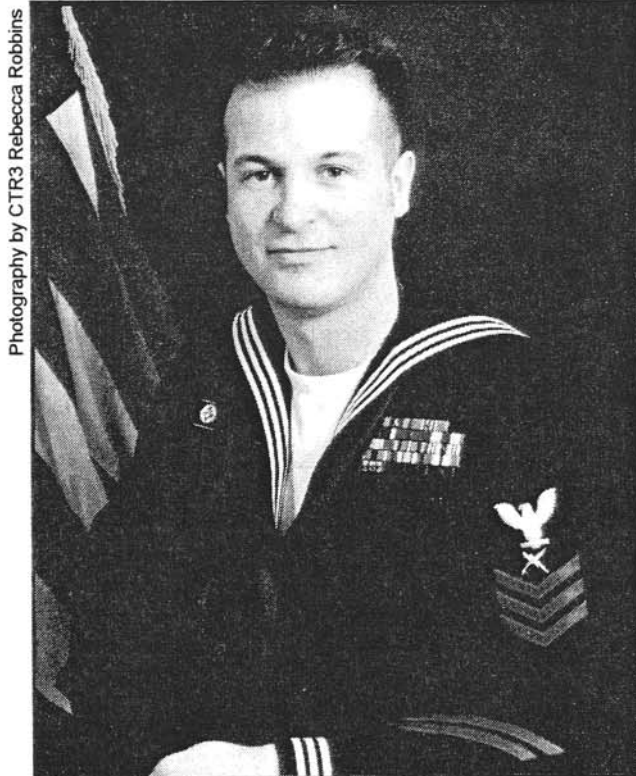
CAPT Moore, the Commanding Officer of NCTAMS MED in Naples, Italy, congratulated Edzell for being "one of those many behind the scenes organizations which provide critical command and control connectivity to the warfighters."

Special thanks to Mr. Ainsley for upholding RAF Edzell's motto, "Osceann na h-uile." Thanks to him, our switch really is "Second to None!"



Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

Accepting the award was British Telecom's Mr. Eric Ainsley, who personally maintains the switch for RAF Edzell.



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NSGSD Four and NIWA Senior Sailor of the Year CTR1 Timothy W. Bishop

Cryptologic Technician (Collection) First Class Timothy W. Bishop was selected as Naval Security Group Support Detachment Four and Naval Information Warfare Activity's Senior Sailor of the Year.

Petty Officer Bishop is a native of Ft. Fairfield, Maine. He enlisted in the Navy in June of 1985. During his career, Petty Officer Bishop has performed temporary duties on the USS MISSOURI, the USS TRUXTON, USS BADGER, and the USS FOX. Some of his other duty stations include: NTTC Detachment, Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas; and NSGTD Winter Harbor, Maine.

Petty Officer Bishop is described as an outstanding leader and manager, who leads the way in training subordinates, resource management, organizational skills and task accomplishments. He also demonstrates sincere concern for detachment morale and well being.

Congratulations on your selection!

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins



PSD Sailor of the Year PN1(SW/AW) Charles Hunter

Personnelman First Class Charles B. Hunter was selected as PSD's Sailor of the Year. Petty Officer Hunter is a native of Gary, Indiana. He entered the Navy in April of 1984 to gain job experience and to support his family. "I plan to one day make Chief Petty Officer and retire after 24 years of service," said Hunter.

Some of the other commands PN1 Hunter has been attached to are PSD Portsmouth, Virginia, the USS WASP and the USS CORAL SEA. Hunter said he enjoys being in Scotland because the people are so friendly and cooperative, but he would eventually like to return to the Norfolk area to homestead.

One of PN1 Hunter's role models was his Senior Chief aboard the USS WASP. "He taught a lot about the technical aspects of the PN rating as well as the importance of checks and balances," said Hunter. When Hunter was chosen the Sailor of the Year for PSD he said, "I was shocked, excited and surprised!"

Congratulations on your selection!

PSD Sailor of the Quarter DK1 Christopher A. Weires

Disbursing Clerk First Class Christopher Weires was selected as PSD's Sailor of the Quarter. Petty Officer Weires is a native of Omaha, Nebraska, and has been in the Navy since May of 1984. He joined the Navy to continue with family tradition, "My father and all of my brothers were in the Navy," he said.

Petty Officer Weires said he plans to retire from the Navy after 20 years, and if given the opportunity to do over again, he would not change his career choice. He has been to a variety of previous duty stations from PSD Dallas, Texas, to several ships, including the USS NIMITZ and the USS EISENHOWER.

During his career in the Navy, DK1 Weires has learned the importance of personally reading the manuals to find solutions to problems. He also believes the Sailor of the Quarter/Sailor of the Year programs benefit all sailors in the Navy. "I appreciate the recognition that I have received," said Weires.

Congratulations on your selection!



Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s



Photography by CTT1Dennis Erwin

(front row, L-R) Mr. Kenneth D. Moffet, CTO2 Lori Perez, CTR2 Wandra Linton, CTM1 David Sporkia, (back row, L-R) CTO3 Jason Ebelhar, CTR3 Andrew Burgoyne, CTO2 Jamie Pristas, Sgt Michael Doudna, and CTA2 Timothy Scarbrough.

Congratulations!

Navy/Marine Corps
Achievement Medals
CTM1 David Sporkia
CTA2 Timothy Scarbrough
CTO2 Jamie Pristas
Sgt Michael Doudna
CTR3 Andrew Burgoyne

Flag Letter of
Commendation
CTR2 Wandra Linton
CTO3 Jason Ebelhar
Mr. Kenneth Moffet

Petty Officer Second Class
Promotion
CTO2 Lori Perez



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

In recognition of his long and distinguished service, Mr. William Deeprose was awarded the personal Commendation of the Air Officer Commanding Directly Administered Units Royal Air Force Strike Command.

Reenlistments This Month



by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton

During the month of February, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended.

CTR1 Robert W. Girod

CTM1 David J. Sporkia

CTI2 Janina Jakstas

CTR3 Randall P. Moyer

CTO3 Tina L. Anderson



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

CTO3 Tina L. Anderson signs on for another tour.

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*



Correspond With the E-7 Selection Board



Those who took the Chief's exam and were found board eligible, should review your microfiche to be sure there are no errors in your record and that all information is up to date.

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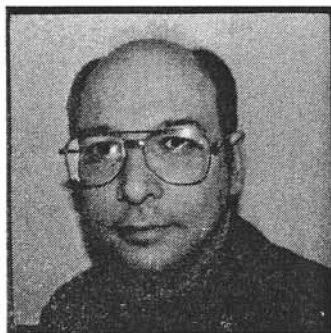
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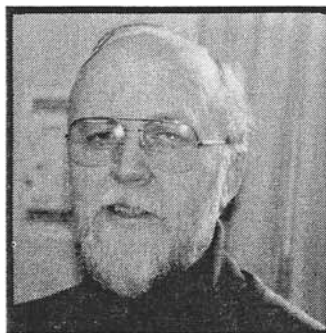
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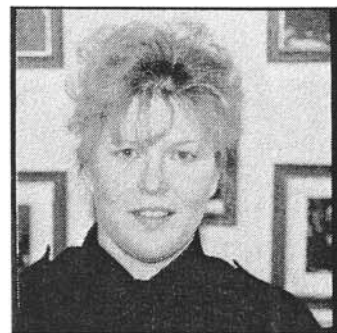
Question of the Month: What was the first year women were authorized enlistment in the United States Navy?



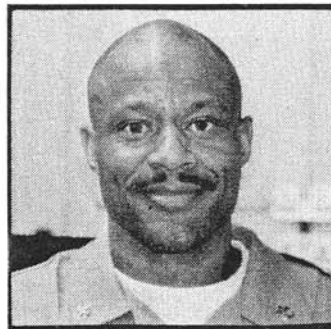
CTI1 James Bradley
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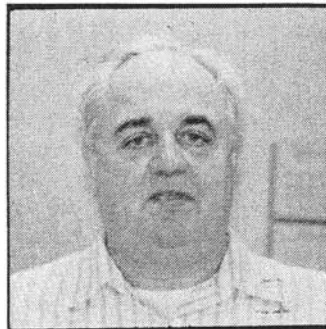
Mr. Doug Stenzel
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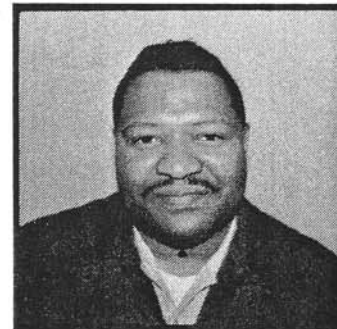
DK2 Mary Benson
"July 1942, although contributions of women serving their country date back to the early 1800's."



CTAC Roosevelt Moody
"1938."



Mr. Rudy Thomson
"1917."



CTR1 Uvon Lockhart
"1947."

Answer: Women began serving in the Navy in 1942 when they were authorized enlistment and commissions in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Company Corner

by Sgt Cheryl Crosby

Hello out there! The days are starting to get longer and the Marines of Company B are turning their attention to more outdoor activities.

As you know, Marines are known for their running abilities; well, most Marines are. A couple of motivated Devil Dogs, MSgt Canavan and SSgt Daugherty, have decided that they might as well enjoy running. These two Marines have been pounding the pavement in Aberdeen with the Hash House Harriers. They say it's a fun way to stay in shape and meet new people, even if you are not a great runner, you can have a great time.

The Marines of Company B continue to pursue a variety of professional training topics. This month, training started in the classroom with several guided discussions about leadership. The Marines took their responsibilities seriously as they addressed the role of a leader and the philosophy of leadership. Marines have always been called on to be the "First to Fight," therefore honing leadership skills and traits is something they continually strive to do.

As the morning faded and afternoon approached, the next period of instruction took the Marines out into the field. The topic was patrolling and tactical measures, and the instructors presented a wealth of information. Once the basics of patrolling were covered, it was time to put to test what was just discussed. After the Marines were given a map and an objective, they were divided into two squads. Both squads navigated through enemy territory to reach their objective and succeeded with few casualties. Although it was only a simulation, the Marines had an opportunity to practice what they had learned. Every Marine is a rifleman, and must be able to step into those shoes whenever called upon.

Although SSgt Saulsbury and Sgt Monaghan remain at the Staff NCO Academy, we welcomed home a few Marines this month. Major Tyson returned from his trip to Virginia. Welcome back,

Sir! Also, GySgt Kennedy is home from the Advanced Staff NCO Academy where he graduated third in his class. Oohrah Gunny!

We also recognized a few Marines this month for their achievements. Cpl Place and Cpl Howard distinguished themselves by receiving their first Good Conduct Medal. Sgt Doudna was awarded a Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his outstanding service. We applaud your service and dedication to the Corps. Keep charging!

Well, that's all for now. Until next month, this is the Company B Marines signing off.

CHEERS!



Happy Birthday, Your Majesty

by Yvonne Cant

It is 44 years since Queen Elizabeth came to the throne as a young woman of 26, married, with two children. On April 21, 1996, she will celebrate her 70th birthday.

Her accession to the throne came immediately on the death of her father, King George VI, in February 1952. Allowing for a decent interval of mourning to elapse, and the fact that it takes some considerable time to organize a coronation, she wasn't crowned until June 2, 1953.

Queen Elizabeth, the sixth monarch to reign this century, is the great-great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria, our longest reigning monarch, who reigned for 60 years. Other monarchs this century were Queen Victoria (until 1901), King Edward VII (until 1910), King George V (until 1936), King Edward VIII (who was never crowned but abdicated the throne) and King George VI (until 1952).

At present, the order of succession to the throne is Prince Charles, The Prince of Wales, his eldest son Prince William, then his youngest son Prince Henry. The line continues to Prince Andrew, his eldest daughter Princess Beatrice, then his youngest daughter Princess Eugenie. Seventh in line is Prince Edward, followed by Princess Anne, the Princess Royal, her son Peter Phillips and then her daughter Zara Phillips. The Queen's sister, Princess Margaret, the Countess of Snowdon, is eleventh, followed by her son, Viscount Lindley, and her daughter, Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones, etc.

Prince Charles has the title of Prince of Wales

because he is the eldest son of the reigning monarch. This goes back to 1301 when the first English Prince of Wales was created. The Prince was the son of the King of England, Edward I.

Princess Anne has the title 'The Princess Royal' because she is the eldest daughter of the Queen. This title is not a right, but has to be earned and is the prerogative of the monarch. Prince Phillip, the Queen's husband, is the Duke of Edinburgh. He is the son of Princess Alice, who is a great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria.

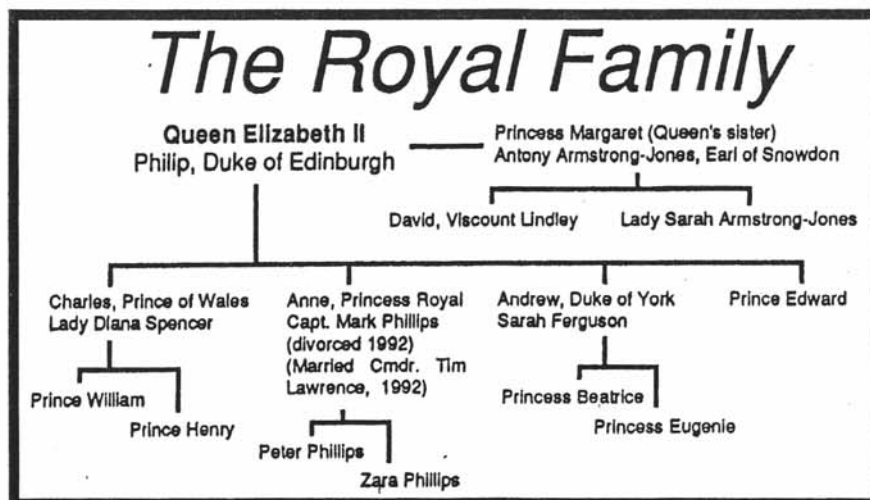
Royalty do not have last names. They belong to a House, such as the House of Windsor, or the House of Tudor. The Queen signs her name Elizabeth R (for Regina). Her royal title in Britain is "Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and her other realms and territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith."

Sons of the sovereign have precedence over daughters in succeeding to the throne, but when a daughter does succeed, she has the same powers as a king. The wife of a King takes her husband's rank and style, and becomes Queen. However, no such privileges are given to the husband of a Queen, who is never called King.

The monarchy is the oldest institution of government, going back to at least the 9th century - four centuries before parliament. The only interruption in the history of the monarchy was a Republic that lasted from 1649 to 1660, when the 'Lord Protector' Oliver Cromwell ruled, after which King Charles II was

restored to the throne.

Through the process of evolution the monarchy's absolute power has been progressively reduced, the Queen now acts on the advice of her Government ministers. The country is governed by 651 members of parliament who have been democratically elected and represent England (524), Scotland (72), Wales (38) and Northern Ireland (17). All business carried out by Parliament is done in the name of the Queen.



Workplace safety

by R.M. Donaldson

We are now in the rundown to closure and, although some Departments and Divisions are now removing equipment which includes office furniture, there must not be any slacking off with regards to safety. If we are going to have injuries they will probably be one of the following; hand, back or foot; the probable cause will be moving items. How can we avoid these accidents?

BACK INJURIES

One of the problems related to lifting is not how heavy it is, but is it too large for one person to lift? For example, an object of 40 pounds weight and 12 cubic inches in volume is easy for one person to lift, but an object of 40 pounds weight and 1728 cubic inches volume can cause problems and will probably need two people to lift it. If you are going to lift anything, remember, **BACK STRAIGHT AND KNEES BENT**.

HAND INJURIES

One of the basic requirements of handling equipment is to decide how you are going to move it. Questions to be asked should include:

Is it too heavy to lift?

If the answer is yes, a fork lift, pallet truck or even a hand truck should be used.

Does the item have rough edges, nails, etc, which could cause hand injuries?

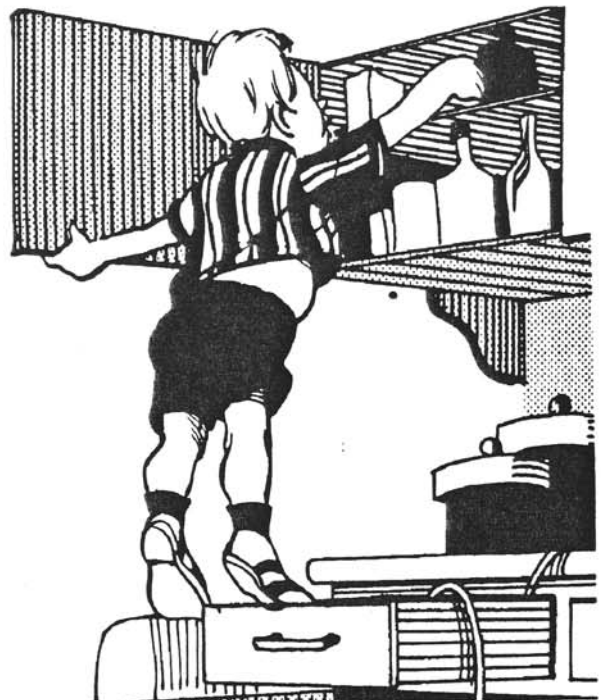
If so, heavy duty work gloves are required.

FOOT INJURIES

Many people who are not normally used to moving equipment will probably be at risk to foot injuries and will need to take extra care. Safety boots may have to be supplied where they were not required before.

HEAD INJURIES

If anyone is presently in an area where overhead work is taking place you should consider the need for head protection. Both U.S. and U.K. regulations insist that we must ensure we are working in a safe manner, this also means that we do not put others at risk by disregarding safety. Two minutes is all it takes to ensure that our safety equipment is in good condition and fit for the job. Last but not least, everyone concerned should be thoroughly briefed about the task to be carried out.



APRIL FOOL'S DAY

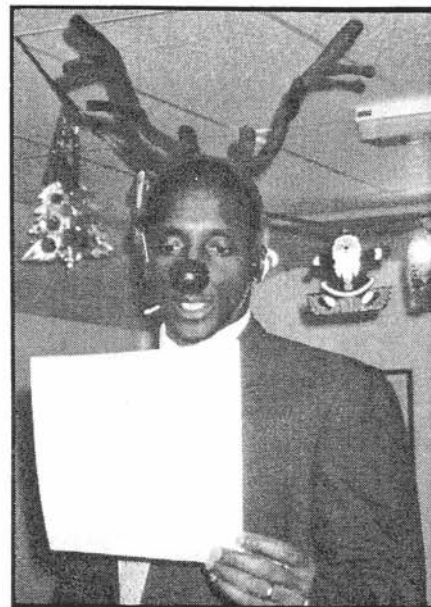
RUDOLPH RECEIVES LETTER OF DISMISSAL

Dear Rudolph,

Once upon a time I could honestly say that you were my brightest reindeer. You were the leader of the pack. My rising star. However, I cannot overlook the gross insubordination you displayed this Christmas past. I told you repeatedly that it was "Edzell Village" I was looking for in that snowstorm. "Rudolph," I yelled, "guide my sleigh to the village clock tower!" But, noohohoho, instead you landed my sleigh on the top of a gigantic golf ball surrounded by some type of huge cage. Rudolph, the folks living inside that oversized golf ball were not pleased to see me one iota. They had me arrested on the spot. Because of you, I am still being held in detention and undergo intense interrogation daily as to what I was doing there. For some reason beyond my ken, my being dressed entirely in red only seems to have complicated matters.

Rudolph, I have no other choice but to dismiss you from my service. We will discuss your severance pay once I am released from jail. In the meantime, you may consider finding employment at one of the highland estates. I'm told that venison haggis is becoming an increasingly popular dish in Scotland.

Santa Claus



Photography by Midnight Elf

Local Hero Stars in New TV Series



JAG, the latest TV series with a Navy plotline, details the exploits of one of NSGA Edzell's most famous officers. LT Kelly, our very own legal officer, is the inspiration and guiding force behind

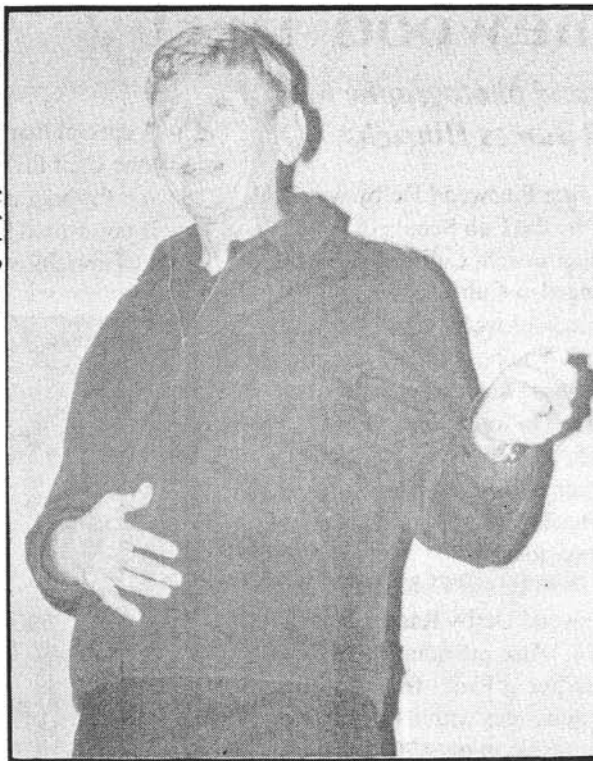
this exceptional series. In his favorite episode his character flies an F-14. When asked how he developed such interesting and realistic stories, LT Kelly remarked, "I just draw inspiration from my true life experiences."

SLASH TO TEACH ROAD CREW 101

The University of Maryland will offer a new course in the basics of road crew this coming semester. Command Master Chief "Slash" Riley has been selected to teach this course because of his extensive background in the field. He will cover topics such as air guitar techniques, stage construction, slam dancing and crowd control. Also included will be testimonials from his days as a roadie for the Grateful Dead. This is a three credit hour course that counts as a humanities elective.

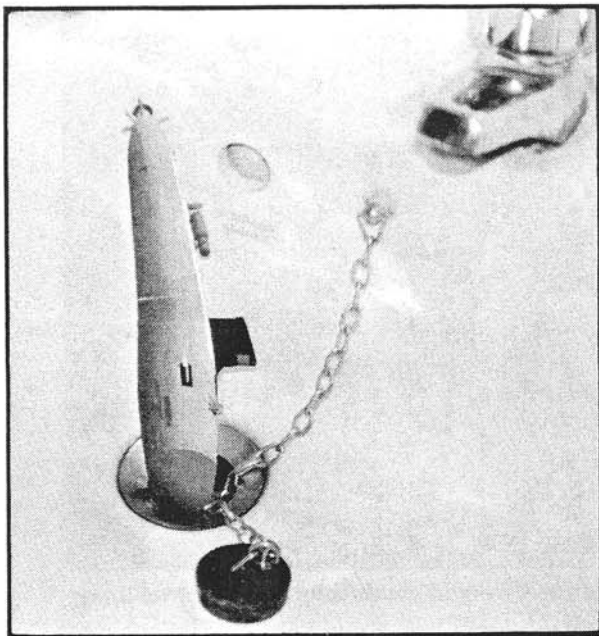
(photo right) SMCM(SW/AW) "Slash" Riley demonstrates his air guitar techniques and reminisces about touring with the Grateful Dead.

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



NAVY PULLS PLUG ON TOP SECRET SUB BASE

Photography by CTT1 Laura Gray



Revealed here, for the first time, is photographic proof of a a submarine base at RAF Edzell. Rumors of a secret tunnel leading into Loch Wee have circulated for years, but our intrepid reporters have discovered that the tunnel actually leads to a refit facility inside building 300. Navy officials refused to comment about the picture. Our next assignment is to capture a picture of the Loch Ness monster.

(photo left) Photograph of what is believed to have been the last U.S. submarine to travel through the recently discovered tunnel leading to the refit facilities located inside building 300. The tunnel has since been sealed.

Pinewood Derby

*Story and photography by
CTM1 James Hinrichs*

The first Pinewood Derby was held in 1953 by the Cub Scouts of Manhattan Beach, California. Little has changed, a Cub Scout is still given only a block of wood, four wheels and four tires. The boys are responsible for the design and unique appearance of their cars. On Race Day, the cars are inspected, brought within tolerances by a volunteer Pit Crew, and then raced on a free wheeling gravity track in double elimination format.

The 1996 Edzell Cub Scout Pack 585 Pinewood Derby Race was held on March 11. Also attending were three local Cub Scout Packs from the Edzell and Brechin areas with a total of 36 boys competing in over 70 races.

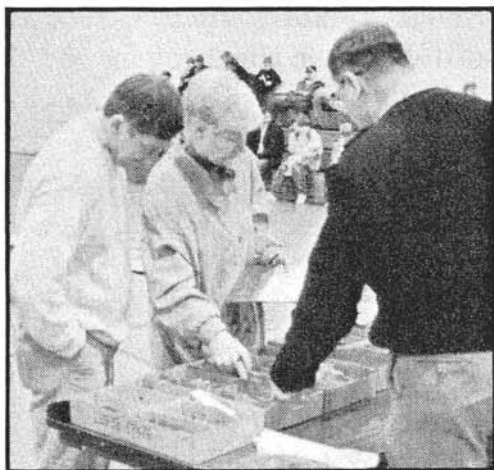
Trophies were awarded for the fastest cars. The top three cars were crafted by Chris Wegner, 1st place; John Wright, 2nd place; and Sean Tyson, 3rd place. Certificates and Medals were given for a variety of categories, to include: Most Original, Most Futuristic, Most Scout Spirit, Most Realistic and Fastest Looking.

A special thanks goes out to CDR Drake, Sq. Ldr. Bowen and Ms. Yvonne Cant for their assistance in judging the cars and to BUC Sexton for organizing the Derby.

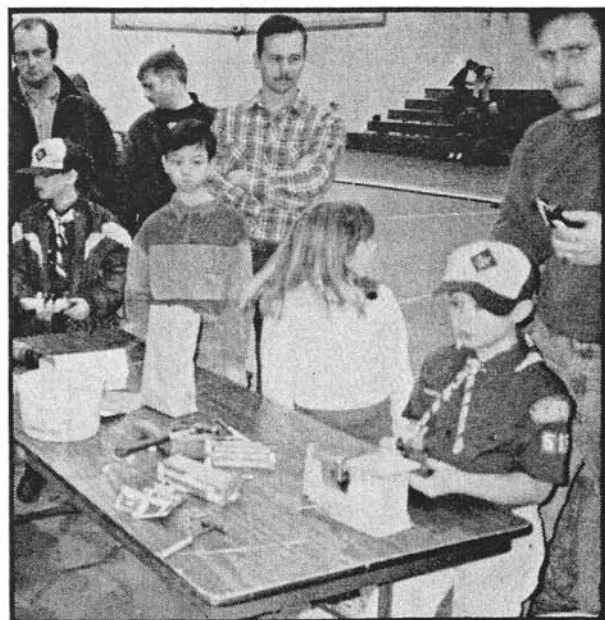
If you would like to know more about Cub Scouts, contact CTM1 James Hinrichs at home in the evening at 64-7190.



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On Race Day, the cars are inspected to ensure compliance with standards.



The cars are brought within tolerances by a volunteer Pit Crew.

Girl Scouts Visit London

by PH2 Carole Rollman

On February 29, the RAF Edzell Girl Scouts went to London, England, to learn about the origins of scouting. Scouting originated and spread all over the world from London. The girls stayed at Pax Lodge and learned about Juliette Low, the founder of Girl Scouts in America. During the visit, the girls also took a Double Decker Bus tour and were able to enjoy many other exciting sights that London offers.



Photography by Rita Goerling



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



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(photo top left) RAF Girl Scouts at Pax Lodge. (photo bottom left) Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No! It's four of our local girl scouts trapped in a telephone booth. (photo right) Lisa Rollman stops to feed the pigeons at Trafalgar Square. (above photo) A few of the girls stopped to think happy thoughts with a statue of Peter Pan. Some remembered the statue from the Disney movie "Hook."

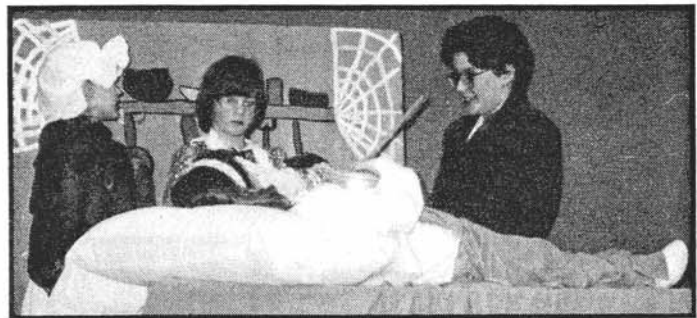
Halsey Performs: A Birthday for General Washington

by Mary-Alice Hurlburt

When an adult is asked what his or her worst nightmare might be, often the answer is, "Having to speak in front of a group of people." The reason for this is people don't get early opportunities to perform before an audience. The third graders were involved in a class play for many reasons. They were gaining necessary experience in public speaking and learned how to project their voices so they could be heard. Many of them conquered stage fright and went on in spite of their jitters. They also had many creative ideas that were put to good use in the play, like the use of party poppers for battle sound effects. They also added many touches of their own to the play to make it more interesting. One little girl felt she didn't have a big enough part, so she added some lines of her own to expand her part. This play was a safe testing ground for their ideas. Ms. Sue Vargo gave them the

same kind of freedom in creating the scenery. She told them to use their imaginations and add things they thought ought to be painted onto the scenery. The play became "their" play and not just a play in which they had no ownership.

The students worked hard to memorize their lines, creating the props and also set up all the scenery for the different scenes. Any production in which eight and nine year olds are in charge is not going to be without the occasional "hiccup." Part of growing up is learning how to smooth out the rough bits and survive. I hope they got some good experience.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rolliman

(all photos) W.F. Halsey's Third Grade Class pays tribute to General George Washington with a birthday play.



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Chapel of Faith Holy Week Schedule

TUESDAY

April 2 - 1900 Mass and Anointing of the Sick
(Roman Catholic) - Chapel

WEDNESDAY

April 3 - 1900 Penance Service
(Roman Catholic) -
Chapel

HOLY THURSDAY

April 4 - 1900 Mass of the Lord's
Supper (Roman
Catholic) - Chapel
- 1830 Maundy Service and
Dinner - Ship's Inn

GOOD FRIDAY

April 5 - 1200 Devotions (Roman Catholic) - Chapel
- 1900 Liturgy of Good Friday - Chapel



HOLY SATURDAY

April 6 - 2000 Mass of Easter Vigil,
Blessing of Easter Fire &
Baptisms (Roman Catholic) -
Chapel

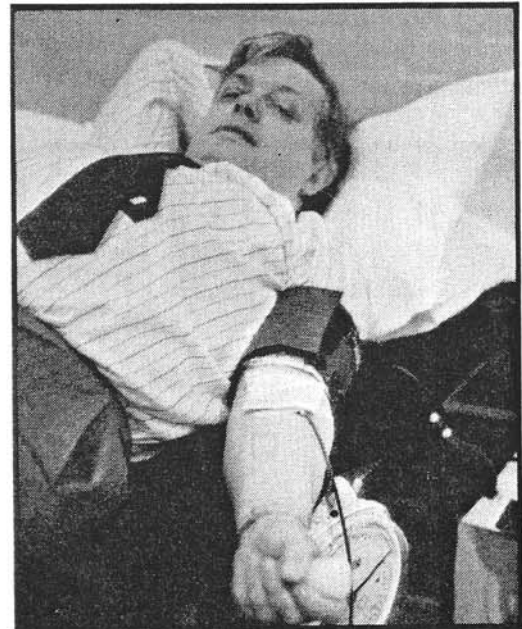
EASTER SUNDAY

April 7 - 0630 Sunrise Service
(Protestant) - Loch Wee
- 0900 Mass of Easter (Roman
Catholic) - Chapel
- 1015 Divine Worship
(Protestant) - Chapel
- 1330 Lay Led Service (Gospel) -
Chapel

Semi-Annual Blood Drive

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The first blood transfusion units were collected at RAF Edzell April 9, 1963. Since then, base personnel have participated in a countless number of blood drives. During these drives over 10,000 life-saving units of blood have been donated to Ninewells Hospital in Dundee. The most recent drive was held in the gymnasium February 27, where 107 pints of blood were collected from volunteers. The U.S. Naval Hospital and the Red Cross greatly appreciate the efforts of all of the participants.



(above and left) Both volunteers and donors contributions were significant factors in the success of the drive.

*Photography by
PH2 Carole Rollman*

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

Eighty percent of Naval personnel voted in the 1992 Presidential elections. In the 1994 general elections less than forty percent voted.

“it doesn’t affect me” and “I don’t know enough about the candidates”

Some reasons for not voting were “it doesn’t affect me” and “I don’t know enough about the candidates.” As a member of the Armed Forces all elections affect you. Voting for Senators and Representatives, who help set policy on pay and other issues important to you, is just as important as voting in Presidential elections.

Getting information about candidates in local elections can be more difficult, so the Department of Defense has set up a Voting Information Center.



You can call DSN 223-6500 or Commercial (703) 693-6500 to receive information from candidates.

Voting is your right, visit your divisional Voting Representative for information on how to exercise it.

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40 DEPT	UT1 BONNER	NSGSD	CTR1 TAYLOR
50 DEPT	CTO1 RADZEWICZ	PSD	DK2 BENSON
60 DEPT	MS2 CHAMBERS	USMC	CPL HOWARD

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Murroes Dance Club Visits RAF Edzell

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Over the past few years several members of the American community at RAF Edzell have been invited by Murroes Dance Club to attend weekly dances near Dundee. Saturday, March 2, the club traveled to the Ship's Inn to celebrate the eight-year anniversary of the club with their American friends.

The dance began promptly at 2000 as the Murroes Dance Club band played a traditional march. Dancers almost immediately consumed the entire dance floor. This is the first time the entire club gathered here to dance. However, last year a few members of the club volunteered to help teach traditional dances for the Kilted Kotillion. This was also a happier return for other members of the club who were stationed here during World War II.



Murroes Dance Club Band provided the evenings music.



The club traveled to the Ship's Inn to celebrate the eight-year anniversary of the club with their American friends.

The dances and music continued until 2200 when the group finally took a break to enjoy some refreshments provided by both cultures. After a few more dances the music stopped and the evening came to a close at midnight.

Because of the impressive turnout, organizers of the visit hope to have other dances in the future.



(photos top and bottom right) As the band began to play, dancers immediately crowded the dance floor.

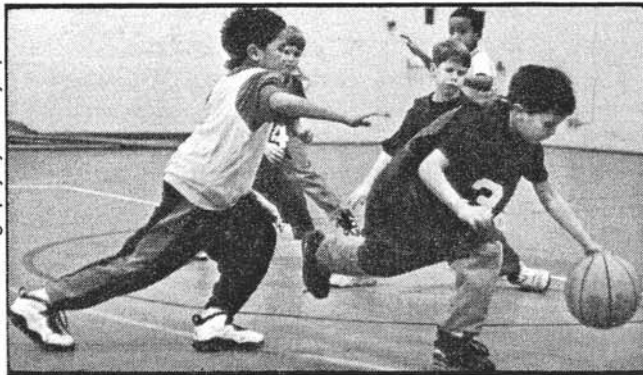
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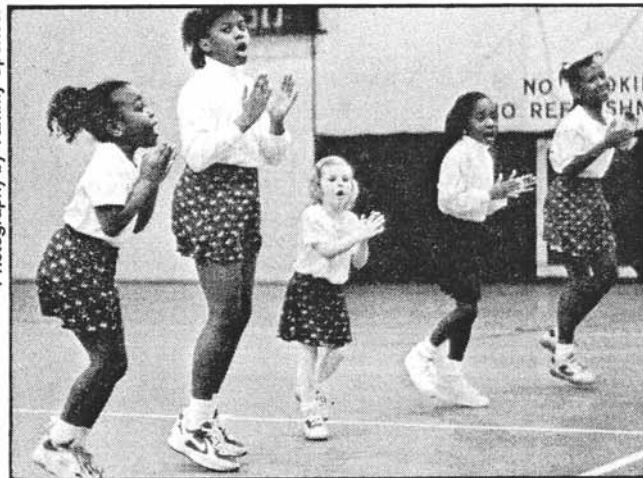
The Youth Basketball League would like to thank the following for their contributions through the season: *Robert Seay, Michael Petty, Glenn Spencer, Robert Harris, Tino Corsey, Charles Foxwell,*

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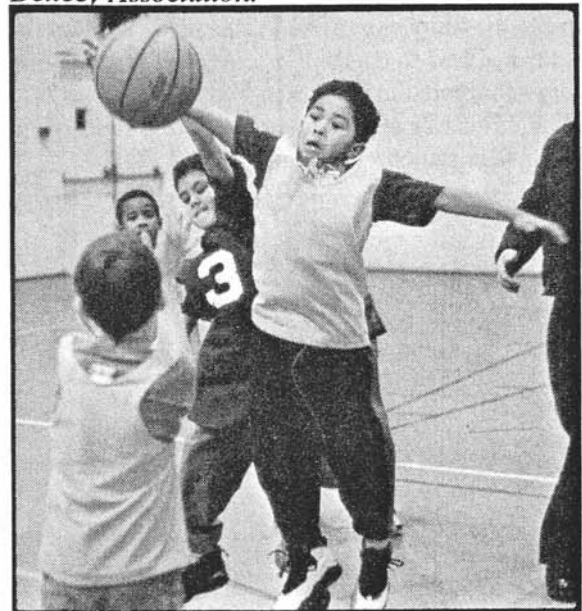
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(photos) Cheerleaders and players enjoyed the 1996 Youth Basketball season.

29th February 1996

*The Editor
"Tartan Log"
NSGA Edzell*

Dear Sir/Madam:

I would like to thank the four base personnel from the band "Low Places" who played at our Scout Hut Fundraiser on February 24th, in the Glenesk Hotel, Edzell. The country music was great and the night was a huge success - so thanks, Doug, Patrick, Walter and Larry!

*Elsie Cleary
Hon. Treasurer
Edzell Scout Hut Committee*



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- 04 - Craft & Antique Fair
- 12 - Mother's Day
- 20 - Armed Forces Day
- 27 - Memorial Day (observed)
- 30 - Memorial Day



MAY NATIONAL NAVY PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS MONTH



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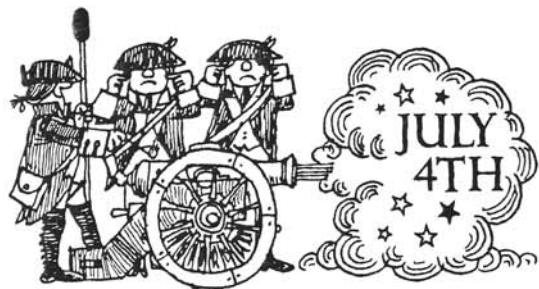
CANCER IN THE SUN MONTH

- 02 - Trinity Sunday
- 14 - Flag Day
- 14 - U.S. Army Birthday
- 16 - Father's Day
- 19 - POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 21 - Summer Begins

July

PURPOSEFUL PARENTING MONTH

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The Chief Petty Officer Community pipe CTMC Stoelb ashore after 20 years of service.

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Final Ceilidh

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Ceilidh is a Gaelic word meaning an informal gathering. A variety of activities including singing, dancing and story-telling are associated with these gatherings. In 1981, the NSGA Edzell community organized a Ceilidh to promote positive Scottish-American relations. Through the years, the event has become a tradition that is anxiously anticipated by both communities. The success and popularity of the base Ceilidh is credited to the Navy Day Ball Committee. Every year the committee has been dedicated to organizing an unforgettable experience for both cultures. Saturday, March 23, marked the end to this traditional event as base personnel and members of the local community gathered in the gymnasium for the final Ceilidh.

Through the years, the event has become a tradition that is anxiously anticipated by both communities.

This year's festivities began around 1930 when the gates opened and our Scottish neighbors arrived. The evening was filled with entertainment featuring the band Sound of Dun. The multi-talented Master of Ceremonies, Mr. David Myles, also played fiddle with the band. Other activities included a spectacular performance of highland dancing from the Gordon School of Dancing, led by Robina Addison and a vocalist who sang some popular Scottish songs. Mingling, however, was the evenings most popular activity.



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Guests enjoyed traditional bagpipe music at NSGA Edzell's fifteenth and final Ceilidh.

Complementary stovies (sliced potatoes and onions stewed together) and bannocks (oatcakes) were served during the intermission. Hotdogs and hamburgers were available for purchase which added some American cuisine to the menu.

The final Ceilidh ended just before midnight, but this unique cultural experience will not soon be forgotten.



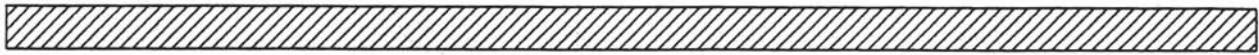
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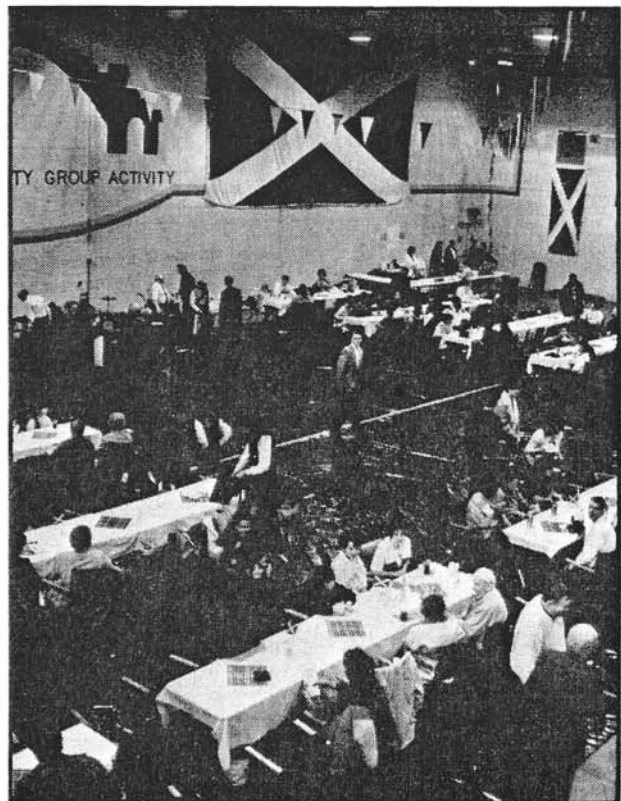


(top photos) Members of the command and local community share the dance floor. (bottom left) A demonstration of highland dancing from the Gordon School of Dancing. (bottom right) An aerial view of the evening's festivities.

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ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

Students from Halsey School produced exceptional performances at the Odyssey of the Mind contest held at Birmingham, England. All three groups entered by the school gained first in division, and one group also came first overall and will go to Berlin, Germany, to compete further.

Odyssey of the Mind promotes divergent thinking and develops creative problem-solving skills in students. Under the guidance of a coach, students learn to work with others as a team. They develop self-confidence by creating solutions, evaluating ideas and making decisions, and they develop creative skills through problem solving and independent thinking.

Crunch! This problem required teams to design and build a structure of balsa wood. It was tested by supporting as much weight as possible while undergoing a series of billiard ball impacts. The model Halsey's team built held 142 lbs. Team members were Erica Ashby, Joe May, Brandi Wegner, Noah Matthews, Patrick Rollins and Keith Wright. Coaches were Mr. and Mrs. Matthews.

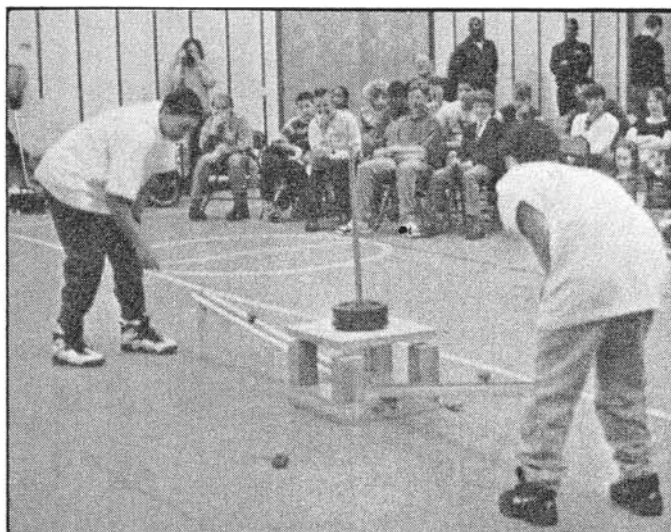
Amusin' Cruisin' set the team to design, construct and drive a vehicle on two journeys that would take the driver to see "attractions." The problem included observing the "attractions" and completing five required tasks, and the group took a highly original stance, which is probably one of the reasons why they took first overall. The team



Middle School teacher Linda Ashby provided enthusiasm and encouragement, as well as sponsoring the project.



Dr. Micro Chip, Virus Buster, chased a virus through a kids' video game, finally ridding the game of the virus and restoring order.



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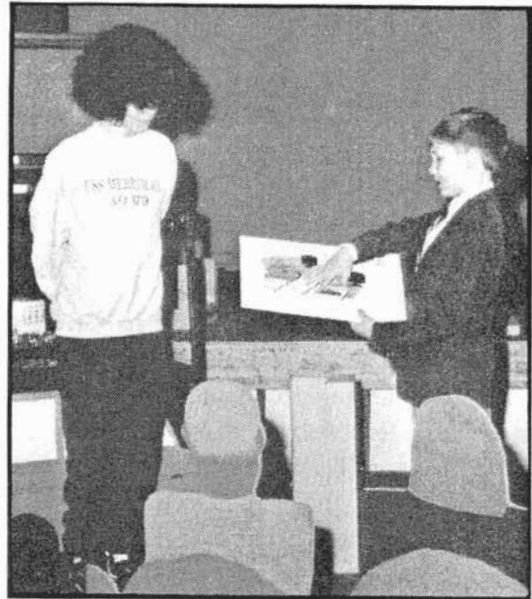
produced a skit about a girl having a dream in which she becomes Dr. Micro Chip, Virus Buster! She gets caught in a kids' video game chasing a virus that has gotten into her computer. The virus causes all kinds of problems - lack of memory and failed circuit board, to mention only two - but it is finally killed and order is restored.

The team consisted of Sarah Heaton, Natalie Henigan, Yuri Sager, Craig Searles, Tashara Seay and Tiara Wallace. The coaches were Mr. Knighten, Mr. Seay and Mrs. Henigan.

Omvention required the design of a new product, or the redesign of an existing product, which assists a person with a handicap to perform, or help perform, a task. A humorous skit had to be created in which the product was shown in action. The team performed a takeoff of the Ricky Lake Show and interviewed three people: a person with a handicap, a person without a handicap, and an industrial designer. They discussed the problems encountered when a person without a handicap parks in a handicap space. The designer had developed several methods to prevent this happening, including a robot, a rap song and a bar code on the car of a physically handicapped person.

Team members were Christopher Brown, Morgan Daugherty, R.J. Eickholt, Teto Faust, Kathy Sutton, Andrew MacLeay and Sean MacLeay. The coach was Mr. MacLeay. As well as coming first in division, the group scored very high marks on their spontaneous problem.

These exceptional performances are a credit to the



The Omvention team developed several methods to prevent unauthorized parking in handicap spaces.

teams, the coaches, the sponsor, (Middle School teacher Linda Ashby) and indicate how hard everyone worked to secure their top positions. If the money were available, all three teams could now go on to the World Finals in Ames, Iowa, in early May. Alas, due to lack of finances, this cannot be - unless there's some big sponsor out there who wants to encourage creativity, ingenuity, problem-solving...Any offers?



Before the Halsey teams competed at Birmingham, England, students, parents and friends had the opportunity to see their performance at the W.F. Halsey School.

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CTR3 Rebecca Robbins*

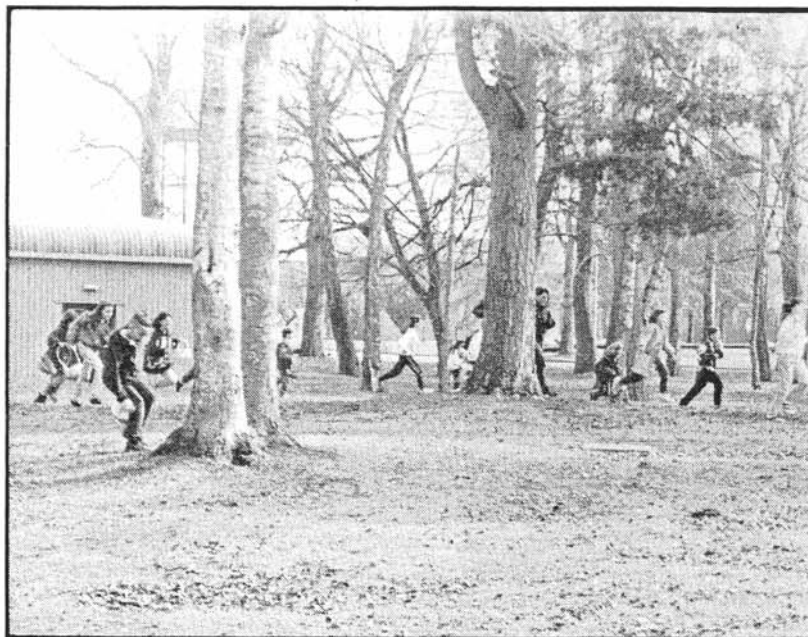
Easter Festival

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

It was almost noon Saturday, April 6, the air was full of anticipation and the playground outside the base Youth Activities Center was filled with children. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt, kicking off the 1996 Spring Festival, was about to begin. On your mark, get set, go! And they did! In about 15 minutes the field was stripped of the over 100 dozen brilliantly colored and 160 prize filled plastic eggs. The eggs were colored and strategically placed early that morning by several volunteers. After the successful hunt, children, parents and other members of the community headed to the base gym. Here they found the hallway outside lined with a variety of baked goods, hotdogs, hamburgers, and lumpia. The children enjoyed free activities inside the gym and even got to meet the Easter Bunny. Patrons were also invited to a free movie at the theater. One thing is certain, no one went home empty handed and despite the drawdown of base personnel this year's Spring Festival equalled or was even more successful than any other.



Look what I found!



And they're off!



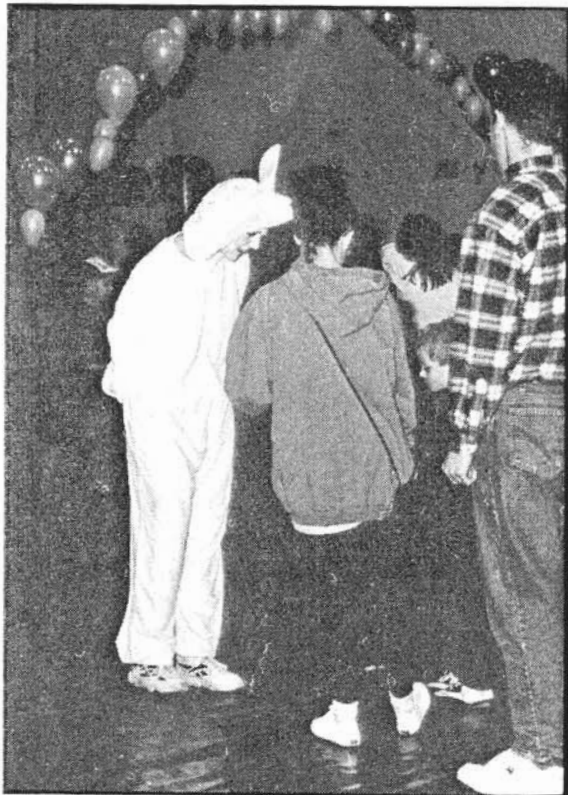
A lucky girl who found one of the special eggs collects her prize.



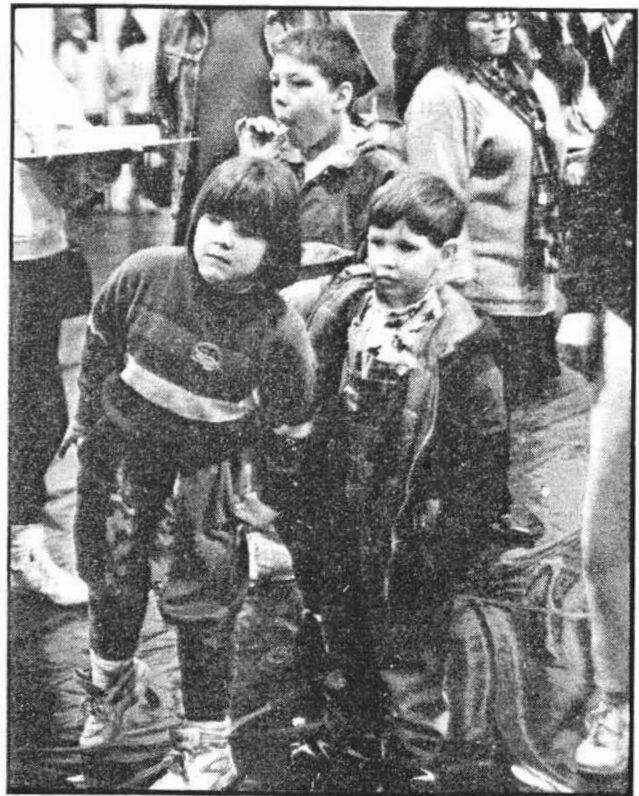
*Photography by
PH2 Carole Rollman*



Some of the eager Easter Egg hunters, old and young alike, getting ready to find those eggs.



The Easter Bunny talks to one of her fans.



Anticipation and hopes were riding high on the cake walk.

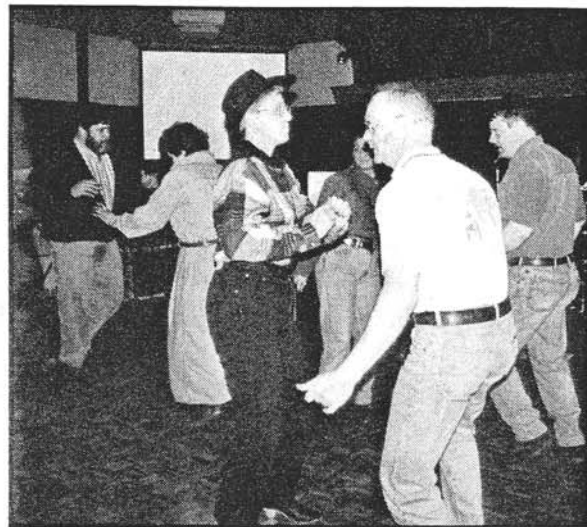
Edzell's Entertainment

The Dawny Reb Band

Story and photography by
JO2 Melanie Barnett

“We are very happy to be here, in fact, we’re happy as long as we’re playing music. If we can leave a little bit of that happiness with this community then we’ve done what we came to do.”

During the months of March and April, the NSGA community welcomed three USO/DOD shows to Edzell. The Dawny Reb Band, a country/rock band, visited the Edzell community March 28 and 29. The band members are originally from Clovis, California, and have been performing together for 12 years. Dawny Reb (Dawny Lanwehr), lead singer and bass player for the band, said the group decided to do the tour to bring a little bit of America to service members stationed overseas. “We are very happy to be here, in fact, we’re happy as long as we’re playing music. If we can leave a little bit of that happiness with this community then we’ve done what we came to do,” said Lanwehr.



Good music and dancing was enjoyed by all.



Something special happened-CTM2 Paul McGarvey proposed to CTM2 Geraldine Lanham.



The Dawny Reb Band produced a wide variety of country and rock music.

Edzell's Entertainment

The Razzle Dazzle Fun Time Group

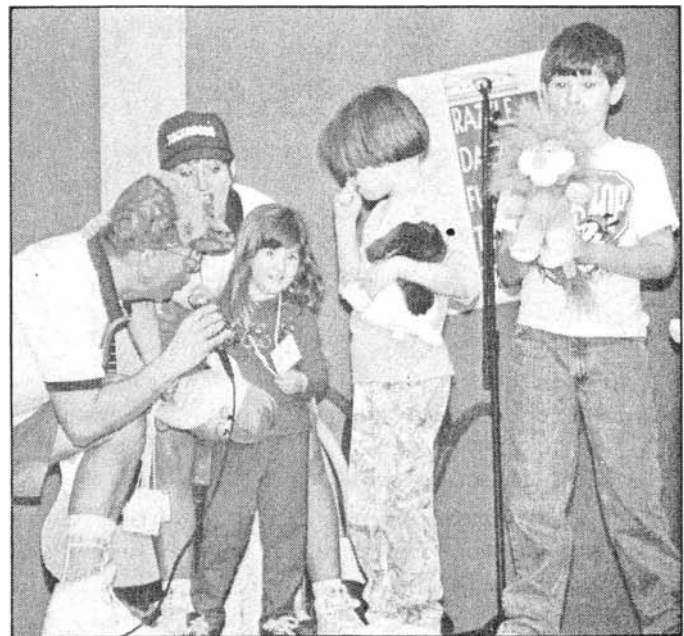
Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

April 19, at the Halsey School, the "Razzle Dazzle Fun Time Group" entertained the children of Edzell. There were several acts within the troop. "Just in Time," a duo from Portland, Oregon, juggled and performed silly skits. The "Rockaroos," is a rock group that performs songs written solely for the entertainment of children. A balloon artist, with the help of the audience, presented a fashion show with his balloon hat sculptures. There was an individual clown performing skits, magic tricks, and stunts on a unicycle

throughout the show. Each of these individual acts usually perform at carnivals and fairs all over the United States and until touring with DOD, have never performed together.



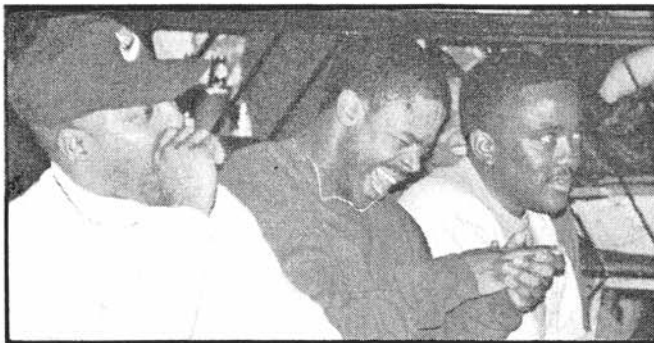
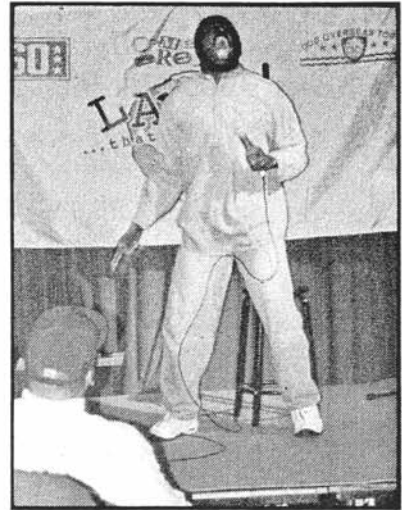
(photo left) Balloon sculpture of the "Little Mermaid" fascinated the crowd at Halsey School. (photo bottom left) Duo called "Just in Time," performing one of their amazing juggling routines. (photo bottom) With the help of the "Rockaroos," children from our community entertained the audience with a silly song about animals.



Edzell's Entertainment Comedy Break 1996

Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

April 19, hundreds of members of the base crowded into the Wheelhouse for Comedy Break 1996. The show featured three very talented comedians; Frances Dilorinzo, Robert Kubota and Louis Johnson. (Not to mention our Executive Officer who got into act during the introduction of the show.) The hilarious entertainment provided by the comedians lasted almost 2 and a half hours with each individual performance lasting about 30-45 minutes.



(top left) Comedian Frances Dilorinzo. (top right) Comedian Louis Johnson. (bottom right) Comedian Robert Kubota. (bottom left) Members of audience laughing at the talented comedians.

Women's History Month Celebration

Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

March 22, members of the community gathered at the Chapel of Faith to celebrate Women's History Month. Various speakers from around the community highlighted the accomplishments of women throughout history.

DK2 Mary Benson discussed women in the service. She explained the equality enjoyed by women in today's services may not have been attained without the perseverance and endurance of their predecessors. DT3 BiBi Hatim focused on the life and achievements of Indirah Ghandi. Sgt Cheryl Crosby told the story of Rosa Parks and reminded those present of the importance of determination. TSgt Corina Benitez chose to speak of her mother's life and of the obstacles she overcame in order to provide a happy, healthy life for her family. The Full Gospel Choir provided a tribute in music, singing "God Has Smiled On Me" and "Faith." The last speaker was LCDR Sharon Chamness, the guest speaker, who talked about her mother's influence on her life. She said without the attributes provided by her mother she would not have been able to achieve the successes in her life. Guests were invited to attend a reception following remarks from the guest speaker.



(top right) The Full Gospel Choir provided a tribute in music.
(bottom left and right) Members of the community gathered at the Chapel of Faith to celebrate Women's History Month.

Postal Progress

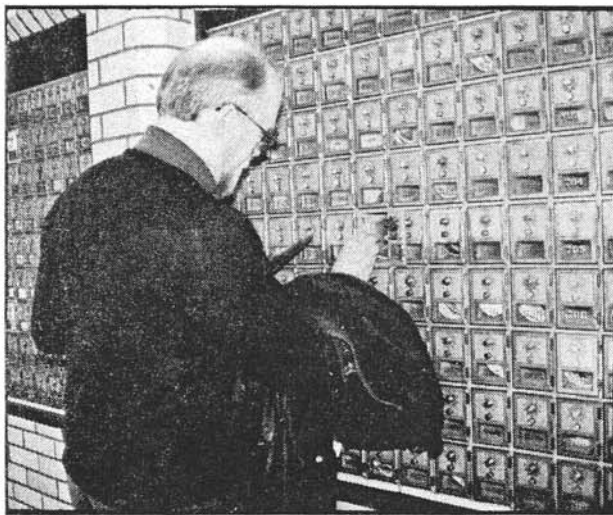
Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

With the base closure lurking in the near future, most of us stationed at RAF Edzell expect to see little or no improvements around the base. Despite budget cuts several notable changes have occurred at the post office recently. These improvements were inspired by the innovative ideas of Postal Clerk First Class Tim Larson. "The way I look at it, base closure translates to imminent death. Nobody expects anything new and refreshing. In fact I think most people anticipate things to go away," said Larson.

Petty Officer Larson explained it took time and cooperation to turn some of the ideas into actual improvements. "When I reported in November of 1993, I noticed how big and barren the lobby was. I wanted to dress it (the lobby) up in order to provide a better atmosphere for people to sit and enjoy letters from home or cry over bills.

After exploring several options, I finally acquired the materials I needed from the MWR director. I told the other (postal) clerks what I wanted and felt customers needed. They took charge, gathered the items and arranged them in the lobby. At no cost to the command, I think we achieved our goal and took a major step to enhance quality of life and customer satisfaction," said Larson.

The post office also put out a customer satisfaction survey in February. One purpose of the survey was to solicit ideas from the community. Some of the recent changes, like the new hours of operation, are direct responses to requests made by the community through the surveys. "I thought it was time to come up with a way to measure standards of postal performance," said Larson. By doing these surveys we have narrowed the communication gap and provided ourselves with the knowledge we need to make appropriate changes to further improve customer satisfaction, he said.



(above photos) Members of the community taking advantage of the new postal hours.

New Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday
0800-1730

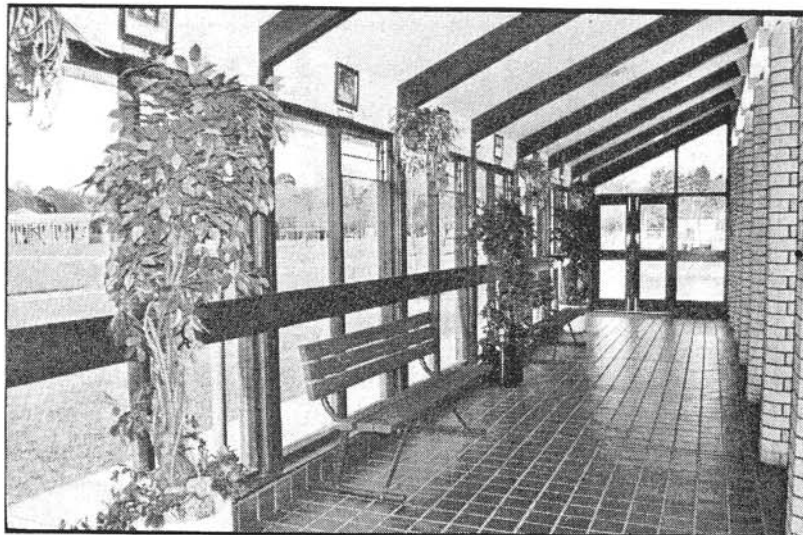
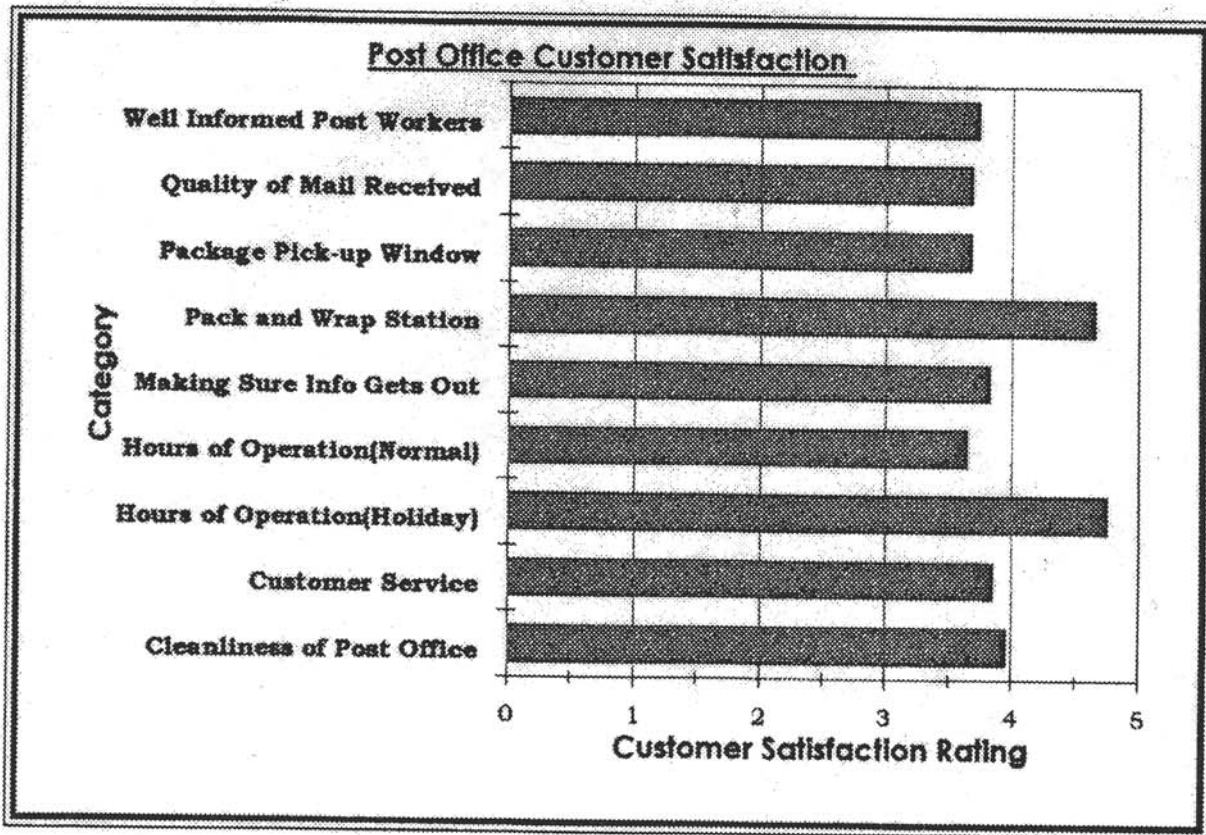
Finance and Package Pick-up Window

Saturday
1000-1600

Money Order Sales Available

*Money Order Sales Secure 30 min. Prior to Closing

Results of the Postal Survey



New benches, flowers and photos, along with soothing music create a pleasant atmosphere for post office customers.

First Communion

by Father Hummer

On March 24 the Catholic Community at RAF Edzell celebrated First Communion for four second graders. The children had been preparing for this big event since December. The children sang a song for their parents and friends in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary ("Mary Full of Grace"). After the celebration of the Liturgy the children, their parents and friends, ate brunch at the Ship's Inn. First Communicants were: Timothy Hinrichs, Katarina Williams, Nathan Royster and Nathaniel Hanley. The children also prayed for their classmate, Ann Marie Thies, who was in her final preparations for being baptized at the Easter Vigil Service on April 6, when she also received Communion for the first time.

The congregation also said farewell to Cheryl MacLeay, the second grade CCD teacher, who prepared the children for First Communion. Cheryl has moved to London with her family and will work at MWR in London. The congregation expressed their thanks and appreciation for all that Cheryl had done for the CCD program over the years.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

(front row, L-R) Nathan Royster, Ann Marie Thies, Nathaniel Hanley, Katarina Williams, and Timothy Hinrichs, (back row) Father Hummer.

Sunrise Service

by Chaplain Hubbard

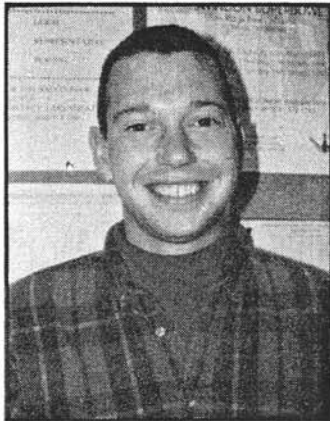
Early on an unusually chilly Easter Morning, some forty stout hearted souls gathered for the NSGA Edzell Sunrise Service at Loch Wee Picnic Pavilion. Fortunately, the Chapel provided portable heaters to take the edge off the chill inside the pavilion. Joined by Scottish friends and neighbors the congregation gathered to welcome the holy morning with scripture, prayer, and song. While the sun seemed unusually shy about putting in an appearance, Loch Wee's resident swans were not quite so shy, being openly inquisitive about this early morning activity on their lochside.

Encouraging the faithful on this wintry morning were the appetizing smells of hot pancakes on the griddle and scrambled eggs in the skillet, ably prepared by CTRCS James Slaughter and CTA2 Rene Bachtel. Following worship this ample country breakfast was served. Our Scottish guests were especially fond of our American pancakes. Afterwards, fellowship was enjoyed by new and old friends over cups of steaming coffee. This celebration of faith, good food, and fellowship brought warmth and cheer to an otherwise cold and gray Easter morning.

Edzell Expressions

Question of the Month: What year was NSGA Edzell officially established?

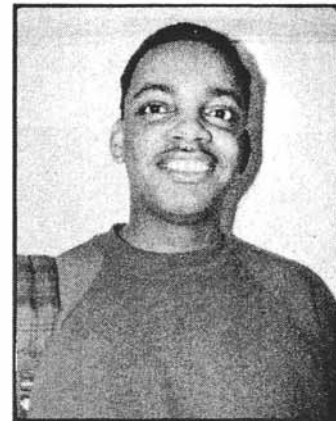
by JO2 Melanie Barnett



BU3 Cory Zuchetto
"When the Seabees built it."



CTI2 Stacy Campbell
"1968."



MS2 Kenneth Chambers
"1946."



Kyle Cragg
"1968."



Eonna Chambers
"1947."



CTR3 Kevin Marsh
"I'm not going to do it unless you tell me the answer."

Answer: U.S. Naval Security Group Activity, Edzell, Scotland, was officially established in July 1960 when one naval officer and eight enlisted personnel reported for duty.

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

CTACM Mattocks (right, then CTACS) presents a shadowbox to CTMC Stoelb at his retirement ceremony.

Congratulations to ASF Graduating Class 1-96



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

Reenlistments This Month



by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton

During the month of March, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended.

CTR1 Kelly Parker

MS1(SW) Walter Ullman

CTT2 Richard Caines

CTM3 Jesse Ravenel



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CTT2 Richard Caines receives congratulations from LT Burgess on his recent reenlistment.

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

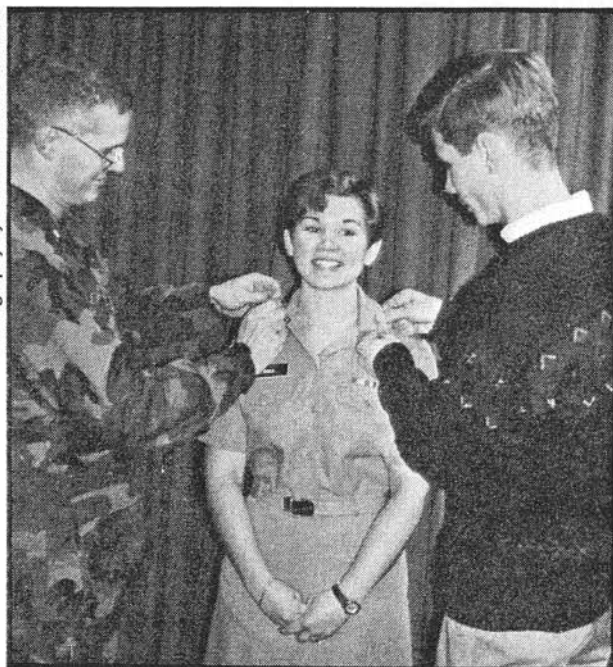
Promotion Ceremony

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Recently, NSGA Edzell held a ceremony to promote LTJG Rhonda Lands (OWO Section #1) to her current rank. LTJG Lands entered the Navy, after graduating from Ohio State, in March of 1994. She is a native of Salisbury, Maryland, and Edzell is her first duty station. LTJG Lands said she has enjoyed Scotland's beautiful scenery, especially in the Highlands, but she and her husband would like to be return to the United States for their next tour.

Some of the many hobbies LTJG Lands enjoys in her off time are hiking, working out, reading, and cross-stitching. Her role models throughout life and during her Navy career have been members of her family. "Most importantly my folks! They taught me that hard work will eventually pay off," said LTJG Lands.

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins



LTJG Lands receives her new "bars" from her husband Jamie (right) and MAJ Tyson.

Air Force Corner

By TSgt Corina Benitez

After a long, cold and snowy winter, spring has almost arrived in Scotland. It not only brings with it gray and cloudy rain filled days, but many distinguished visitors from the States, who now feel safe to venture to Scotland and check out their troops. We recently hosted the visit of General Joseph Ashy, Commander of US Space Command. He was given a tour of the base, a mission briefing and spent time talking with Air Force members. Three site personnel had the privilege of being presented medals by the General. Major Russell Smith was presented the

Meritorious Service Medal for his accomplishments while stationed at the 5th Space Surveillance Squadron (SPSS), RAF Feltwell. TSgt Dean Middleton was presented the Air Force Commendation Medal for his accomplishments while stationed at the 21st Operations Support Squadron, Peterson AFB, Colorado. SSgt Dave Korsten was presented the Joint Service Commendation medal for his tour at Headquarters Space Command/J36, Peterson AFB, Colorado. After the awards ceremony, the General took a few moments to take a group photo.



Photography by TSgt John Huskins

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The unit recently held it's quarterly awards board to determine the outstanding airman for the first quarter 1996. All nomination packages submitted were screened and rated by the Senior members of the 17 SPSS and Detachment 5. The awardees were recognized for outstanding contributions in the areas of operations, support and overall military performance.

The winners for the 17 SPSS are:

SNCO: MSgt Ken Grant
NCO & Site Support: SSgt Robert McManus
AMN: SrA Tim Sigler

The winners for Det 5 are:

SNCO: MSgt Ronald Kraft
NCO: TSgt Corina Benitez
Technician: SSgt James Richardson

Photography by TSgt John Huskins



Major Russell Smith was presented the Meritorious Service Medal for his accomplishments while stationed at the 5th Space Surveillance Squadron (SPSS), RAF Feltwell.

Another recognition program that has been on going since November of 1995, is the Professional Performer of the Month. This program was established to recognize the efforts of those, who in the eyes of their peers, have performed their jobs as a true professional. Each member assigned to the site is given a ballot to vote for who they feel meets their personal criteria as a Professional Performer. The returned ballots are tallied up and the winners are announced by Lt Col Strathearn, 17 SPSS Commander. This month's Professional Performers are:

**TSgt Russell Barnes
SSgt James Richardson
SrA Tim Sigler**

This would appear to be the month of recognition at the site. From the members who were presented their medals by General Ashy, to those selected by the SNCO's and those selected by their peers.

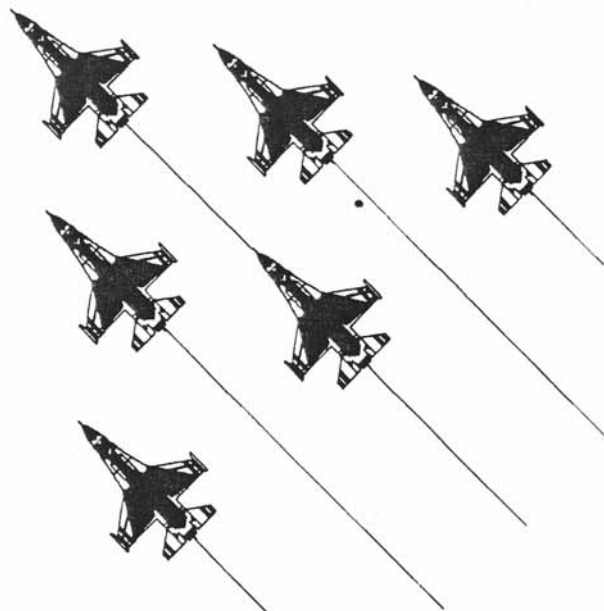
There is an additional award that is very distinctive throughout the Air Force. It is earned while attending the Professional Military Education (PME) in residence course. The Air

Force NCO Academy is 6 weeks long and members receive in depth instruction and practical hands on skills which help them to become more efficient leaders and managers.

TSgt Richard Button from the 17 SPSS recently returned from the NCO Academy in Kisling, Germany, with the John Levitow Award. The award is in honor of Airman First Class John H. Levitow, the lowest ranking airman to earn the Medal of Honor. This is the highest award given at PME centers and goes to the top member of each class. TSgt Button was number one in his class of 132 Airman. A job well done Richard!

As this article closes, we come a month closer to the closure of RAF Edzell and the move of the Air Force Detachment. Although we will be here for quite some time, we are starting to say our good-bye's to friends and peers. During the month of May, we will say good-bye to the following personnel and wish them well in the future:

**MSgt Ronald Kraft, Joshua and Kimberly
TSgt Martha Beebe, Wayne, Sara and Jeffrey
TSgt Shannon Richardson, Becky, Sara and Eric
TSgt Donald "Woody" Woodcock, Shawn, Brenna and Ashley
SSgt Jarret Joyce
SrA Jeremy Symonds and Kim**



Driving Safety

R. M. Donaldson
Safety Manager

At this time of year it is a good idea to give your vehicle a checkover. After winter driving, salt and grit on the roads can create problems in areas which are unseen. If you are not mechanically minded it is better, and certainly safer, to have a garage or someone who is qualified give your vehicle the checkover. If you decide to do the job yourself, make sure you have the proper tools and equipment. Wrenches should be the correct size and, if you are going to lift your vehicle, the hydraulic jack should be in good order and axle stands should be used - do not rely on the jack.

Let's start with the simple items - the tires should be in good condition and must have at least 1.6mm depth of tread across three-quarters of the width of the tire. They should have no cuts, be properly inflated and have no other visible defects. Even though the sun is out longer at this time of year, your lights are still important. You should check that all lights are working - parking lights, low beam, high beam, high intensity fog lamps, and do not forget your number plate lamp.

Check your windows for cracks or stone strikes - many windscreens have blown out as the result of a crack or chip. Be sure to check your seat belts. Ensure they are in good condition and are retracting and holding properly - it could mean the difference between life and death. Check your exhaust - you do not want to have carbon monoxide fumes seeping into your vehicle.

In order to control your vehicle properly, the steering should be in good order. If you have any excess play in the steering it should be checked by an expert. Shock absorbers, although not part of the steering, are essential for stability and should also be in good order.

Items which should always be in good working order are the horn, the speedometer, and your windscreen washers - farmers do not worry about leaving mud on the road, and this could end up on your windshield.

CHECKLIST

TIRES - check for wear, pressure and embedded stones - don't forget the spare.

BRAKES - check discs, drums and handbrake.

LIGHTS - check for operation - headlamps, indicators, hazard warning and reversing light.

BODYWORK - check hidden areas for rust and deterioration.

STEERING - check for play and have alignment checked by a specialist.

FRONT SUSPENSION - check for faulty and leaking shock absorbers, linkage and wheel bearings.

SEATBELTS - as most are auto-retract, check operation for forward locking.

WINDSCREEN - check for chips, wiper and screen washer operations.



REAR SUSPENSION - check for leaking shock absorbers, body fixing and wheel bearings.

**WASH, POLISH
AND
SAFE MOTORING**

Annual Carboot Sale a Success

by CTTI Laura Gray

The mist cleared on a crisp invigorating morning, revealing a scene of bustling activity. It was March 23, the morning of NSGA Edzell's 3rd Annual Car Boot Sale, and vendors were busily preparing to display their wares to the soon to be arriving bargain hunters. With the sun warming the scene, an enticing aroma rose from the food tent. In anticipation of a crowd whose appetite had been whet in the battle for the bargain, several organizations from the base had begun preparing food to sell. Choices in the food tent ranged from the traditional American hamburgers, hot dogs and chili, to sweets for dessert. The crowd's appetite proved voracious; all organizations providing food were pleased to be able to sell their entire stock before the day was finished, and the 150 dozen donuts sold out in only two hours! By 1400 the weary but satisfied vendors had loaded their cars with the scant merchandise remaining. When leaving, the nearly empty vendors cars were in surprising contrast to when they were brought on base, packed to the roof. Over £500 was raised



Photography by Tammy Spencer

Food vendors served a crowd whose appetite had been whet in the battle for the bargain.

for MWR, £200 was raised to help the team competing in the Flora Marathon in London, and many more hundreds were raised by the various clubs on base and the car boot vendors. NSGA Edzell once again hosted a successful sale, with 112 vendors and estimated 3,000 shoppers.

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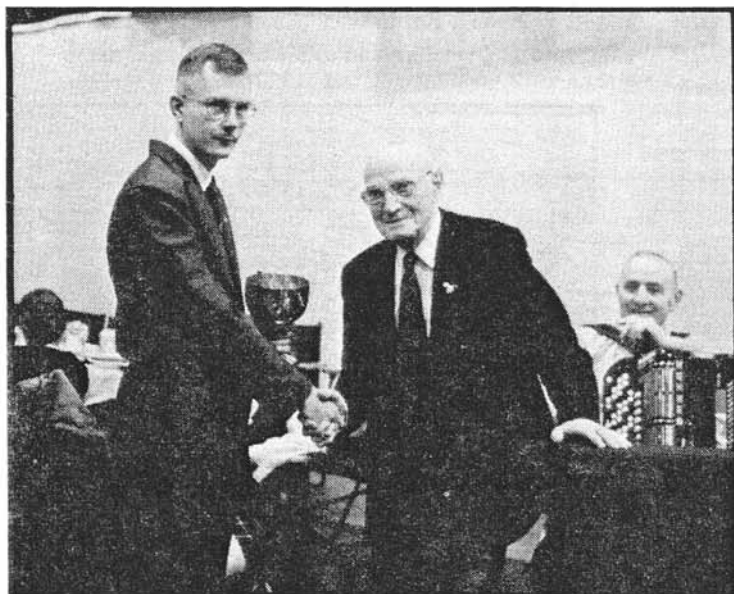
Willie Johnston Sports Award

The 1995 and final Willie Johnston Sports Award was presented to GySgt Stanley Kennedy.

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Willie Johnston Trophy was donated to the base in 1975, through the Scottish-American Community Relations Committee, by William Johnston. It is an annual award presented to the individual who has displayed outstanding prowess and sportsmanship in the sphere of Scottish-American athletics. Traditionally the award is presented at the Annual Ceilidh in April and this is the last year for the award. The 1995 and final Willie Johnston Sports Award was presented to GySgt Stanley Kennedy.

GySgt Kennedy organized and coached Little League Baseball during the 1995 season. As a result of his coordinated efforts with members of the Aberdeen Petroleum Sports



GySgt Stanley Kennedy (left) accepts the 1995 Willie Johnston Sports Award from Mr. William Johnston himself (right). GySgt Kennedy's selection was based on his efforts to support and improve Scottish-American relations through sports.

Association (TAPSA) the first NSGA Edzell children were allowed to participate in the TAPSA Little League program. Kennedy recruited 7 - 13 year olds from base and established two teams, 7 - 10 year olds and 11 - 13 year olds. The older children took the league championship and the other team finished second in their age group.

Kennedy was a member of the Dundee Dodger Baseball team. The team is associated with the British Baseball Federation and competes in the Scottish Baseball league. During the season, Kennedy recruited knowledgeable members of the NSGA Edzell community to umpire. GySgt Kennedy also organized a softball game between the Dundee Dodgers and members of Co "B" to promote friendship with the Scottish community.

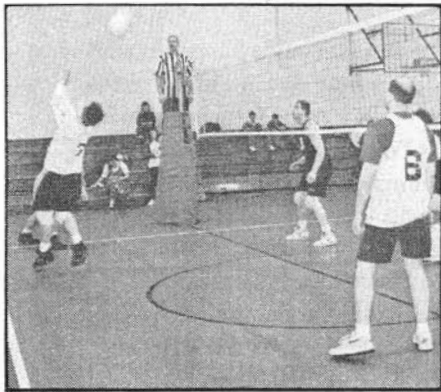
GySgt was able to further promote friendships between the American and Scottish youths as an active Cub Scout Den Leader. During weekend camping excursions he introduced the Scottish Cub Scouts to baseball and American Football.

Aside from his numerous accomplishment within the local community, he is also an active supporter and participant of Captain's Cup Sports. GySgt Kennedy's selection for the award was based on his efforts as a participant, coach, organizer and supporter of Scottish-American sporting events.



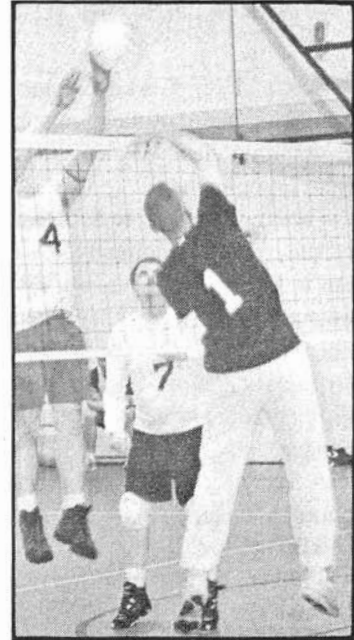
Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The 1996 summer sports season began on April 8, with Captain's Cup Volleyball. April 10 the Air Force and 30 Department hit the court at 1830 for an exciting volleyball match-up. The Air Force took the first game 15 - 10 but



The Air Force is put on the defense in the second game as Zais bumps it over the net for 30 Dept.


30's came back taking the second 10 - 15 pushing the match to a full three games. The Air Force picked up their second win of the season taking 30 Department in the final game 15 - 11. 30 Department ended up 1 and 1 for the season after this match. The staff of the Tartan Log will be following the entire season as well as Captain's Cup Softball and all Little League seasons which are just around the corner. Monthly statistic reports will be listed in future editions of the Log.



Chapins of 30 Dept. spikes it back over the net to Anderson of the Air Force.

	WON	LOST	GB	PCT.
C's & O's	4	0	-	1.000
Air Force	4	1	1/2	.800
30 DIV.	3	2	1 1/2	.600
Day Workers	3	2	1 1/2	.600
DET 4	1	2	2 1/2	.333
35 DIV.	1	4	3 1/2	.200
OOPS	0	5	4 1/2	.000

Standings as of 25 APR. 1996



COUNTRY WALKS

By Yvonne Cant

Scotland's network of thousands of miles of paths and tracks, many of them unmarked, offer breathtaking views of glens and lochs and Britain's highest mountains.

The tradition of free access to all open mountain and moorland in Scotland allows for a greater freedom than in England and Wales. Visitors should be aware, however, that some of these areas are extremely remote with few facilities, or even roads, and climbers need to be properly equipped, as the mountains, despite their relatively low altitudes, are subject to rapid weather changes.

A free information sheet on access to the Scottish countryside is available from Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH), 12 Hope Terrace, Edinburgh EH9 2AS (0131-447-4784). SNH was set up under the Natural Heritage (Scotland) Act 1991. It has duties relating to landscape and nature conservation, promoting enjoyment and understanding of the environment and encouraging sustainable use of natural resources. Scotland offers four designated long distance routes:

1. *Southern Upland Way* covers 212 miles and runs from Portpatrick, near Stranraer on the southwestern coast of the Scotland, to Cockburnspath near Dunbar on the eastern coast, not far from England's border. It passes through a varied landscape of pastoral valleys, forests and rugged uplands. There are some long and demanding stretches through remote hill country although there are numerous shorter sections, linking attractive rural towns and villages which are suitable for a day's leisurely walk.

2. *West Highland Way* covers 95 miles starting at Milngavie, north of Glasgow, and stretches to the foot of Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. This trail provides the walker with some pleasant and relaxing walks, as well as strenuous and rough and you will have the opportunity to see some of Scotland's finest scenery. The walk is conveniently broken into 14 stages, each accessible by public roads at either end.

3. *Lairig Ghru* is 28 miles long and a bit nearer to this area. The pass cuts through the Cairngorm massif running south from Aviemore through Rothiemurchur forest and on to Braemar. This is a remote and uninhabited country and you need to be very fit to attempt this walk.

4. *Speyside Way* covers 42 miles and runs from Spey Bay on the Moray Firth, following the river valley to the south along river side tracks and quiet country lanes, to Craigellchie in Morayshire. The route then follows the former Strathspey railway line to Ballindalloch close by the Spey and the River Avon, and ends at Tomintoul, one of the highest villages in Britain.

If you're not interested in such strenuous walks but would prefer a nice leisurely day out in the country, you have plenty of options. For further information contact the nearest Tourist Information Center (TIC) in Montrose at the Library, High Street (01674 672000). In the summer months there will be a small TIC office in St. Ninian's Square, Brechin. You have access to many miles of Scotland's hills and mountains, which I hope you will enjoy exploring this summer. When walking, keep in mind the Country Code.

Country Code:

- * Enjoy the countryside and respect its life and work.
- * Guard against all risks of fire.
- * Fasten all gates.
- * Keep your dogs under close control.
- * Keep to public paths across farmland.
- * Make no unnecessary noise.
- * Use gates and stiles to cross fences, hedges and walls.
- * Leave livestock, crops and machinery alone.
- * Take your litter (trash) home.
- * Help keep all water clean.
- * Protect wildlife, plants and trees.
- * Take special care on country roads.

XO - Files

It started as just another routine interview, the XO called me and Petty Officer Scully into his office and barked out our assignment. Easter was

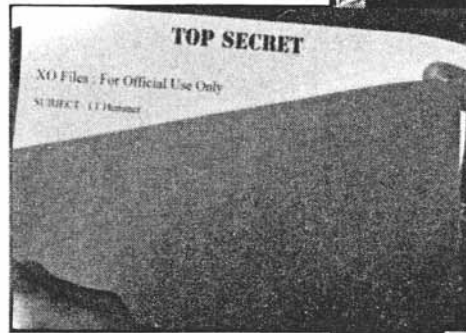
coming up so he wanted a story on Father Hummer and the Chapel of Faith. Easy enough, but this time there was something else. The XO had noticed a bizarre change in Father Hummer. It seems that since his return from Rota our neighborhood priest was developing a joyful and optimistic personality. The CO was even beating him on the golf course. A jovial Father Hummer who would lose to the CO,

unthinkable. I gave my hearty Aye, Aye Sir and Petty Officer Scully and I beat a quick retreat to our office.

JO2 Scully and I had been at the bureau for a while so stories and interviews had become old hat. She scheduled an interview with Father Hummer and I decided to check my mail. My box was empty as usual, but I noticed something. There were plants and pictures in the post office. Soothing music was playing over speakers in the lobby area. Just what was going on here? The post office had always been cold and antiseptic, but here were smiling postal clerks and happy customers. Maybe we should investigate this too, I thought.

My low caffeine level alarm started going off so I hurried back to the office and chugged down a cup of coffee. It was my sixth of the morning, but it tasted as good as the first. Wait a minute, coffee that tastes good, "Scully where did we get this coffee," I blurted out. "Someone from the galley brought it over this morning," she replied. Now I like a good cup of java, unfortunately my stomach had become accustomed to Navy sludge and was staging a minor revolt. I tossed out the rest of the good stuff and scooped ten heaping tablespoons of the old brand into the coffee machine and set it to perk. JO2 Scully said she was headed over to the chapel to interview the padre so I decided to tag along and check things out.

Father Hummer was in his office, reading the good word. He smiled as we walked in and stood up to shake our hands. We sat down and I watched as Scully



put him through the usual series of questions. He smiled or laughed as he answered each one. There was something wrong here, but I couldn't put my finger on it. "How was your trip to Rota?" I asked. He looked at me puzzled for several seconds then answered with a noncommittal "Oh, it was fine," before quickly switching back to talking about the upcoming Holy Week schedule. JO2 Scully finished the interview and we left the friendly father's office.

"Scully, did you notice that?" I asked as we walked back to the office.

"Notice what, sir" she replied.

"He changed the subject when I asked about Rota, he's hiding something."

"I think you're stretching it, sir."

"We need to go TAD to Rota to investigate this further, I'll go talk to the XO."

I marched over to the XO's office and went in. "XO I'm close on this one," I blurted out. "I just need authorization and funds for TAD to Rota and I think I can find out what happened to LT Hummer." The XO thought for a moment then gave me the 'I smell a boondoggle' look. "Well I'd like to go to Rota too, but it isn't going to happen. I'll take care of Father Hummer's attitude, so drop this and get back to work," he blared. I said "Aye, aye sir" and bolted before the door could hit me on the way out.

Petty Officer Scully finished the story for the log and I finished my report: Case on hold pending TAD authorization, suspect remains under observation.

RAF Edzell Community Extends a Sympathetic Hand



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

As the NSGA Edzell community watched the tragic events unfold at the Dunblane Primary School, many of our hearts filled with sympathy and encouragement. In response to these feelings volunteers organized a series of fund-raisers and collected 1,010 pounds from the community. The donations were recently forwarded to the Daily Record Dunblane Relief Fund.

American Bandstand

The Navy Day Ball Committee will be sponsoring an American Bandstand theme dance on 18 May, 1996. Golden Oldies of the 60's and 70's will be played all night long in the base gym in a "Dick Clark" type of atmosphere. All manner of liquid refreshments, hamburgers and hot dogs will be on sale. The door opens at 1830 and closes at 2400. For just \$5.00 or £3.00 you can dance the night away to some classic rock tunes. Rake through your closets and get dressed up in your favorite tie dyed shirt, elephant bells, or any of the groovy clothes they wore back then. The dance will be open to the local community and all proceeds will benefit the 1996 Navy Day Ball.





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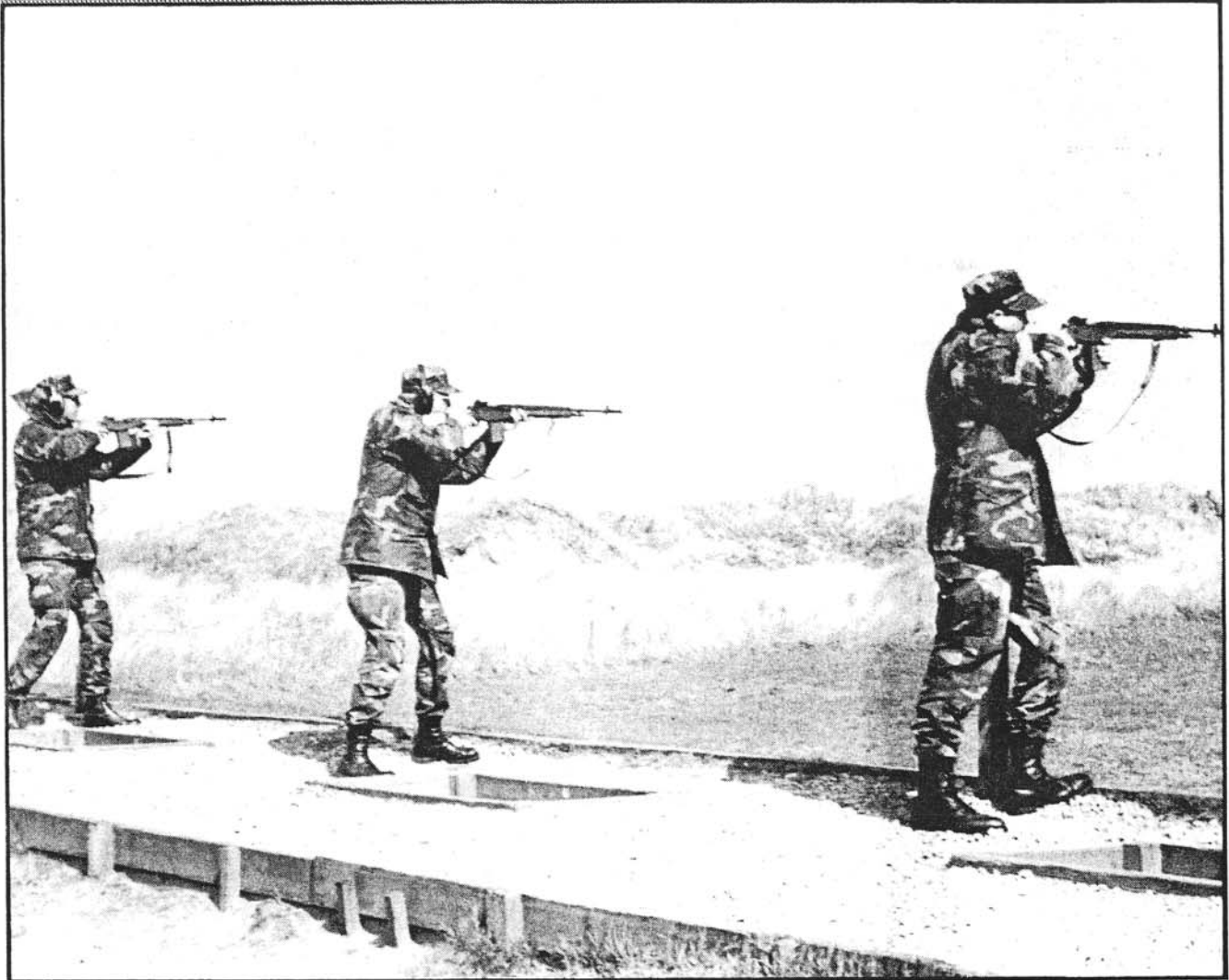
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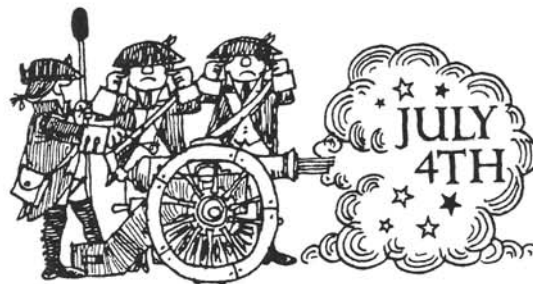
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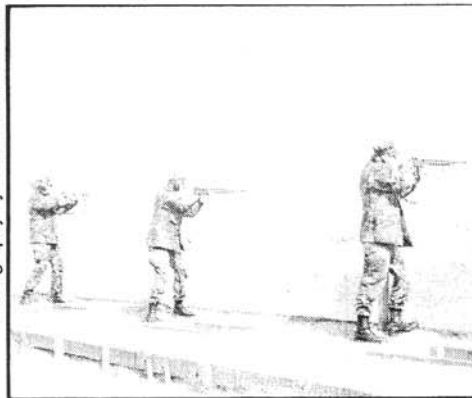
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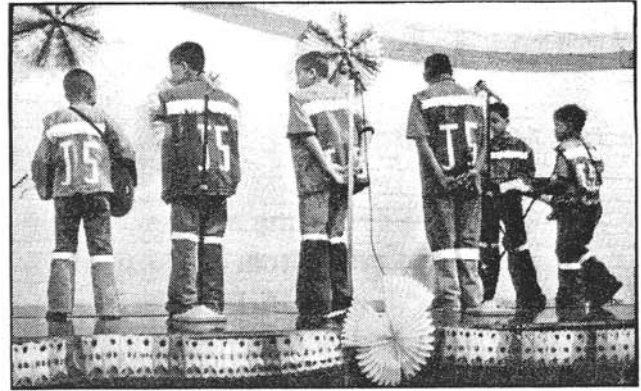
The American Bandstand Dance held in the base gym on Saturday, May 18, proved that whatever music is currently in fashion, classic Rock and Roll will never die. The proof of this statement was the appearance of Elvis, (who the world thought was dead), Diana Ross and the Supremes, and Ike and Tina Turner, to name a few, who rocked the American and Scottish audience along with DJ Glen Spencer (Time Machine) playing golden 60's and 70's hits well into the night.

The atmosphere, mood, and music were finely garnished by people wearing clothes of the era. CDR and Mrs. Drake along with GySgt and Mrs. Champy were selected as the best dressed winners. A trivia contest, door prizes, beverages and food were enjoyed by everyone. People said it reminded them of a high school dance with the bleachers pulled out and all the decorations. All proceeds from the event went to the Navy Day Ball Committee.



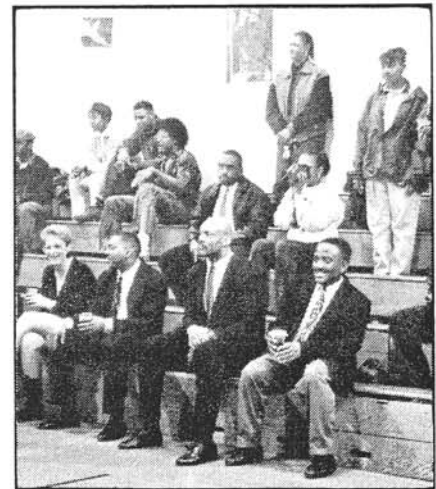
(above and right) The atmosphere, mood and music of the evening was enhanced by those wearing period costumes.





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(top left) The band Boys II Men made a guest appearance and sang a remake of a popular 70's tune. (top right) The Jackson 5 reunited for the evening's festivities. (center) Everyone was entertained by the participants in the lipsync contest. (bottom left) Elvis is alive! (bottom right) Diana Ross and the Supremes gave a spectacular performance.



Craft & Antique Fair

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Antiques, linens, fine art, jewelry, maps, coins, stamps, collectables and a variety of other items not usually found on a tennis court were not out of place on the NSGA Edzell Tennis Courts. It was Saturday, May 4th, the day the Officer Association Heather Club hosted the 1996 Craft & Antique Fair.

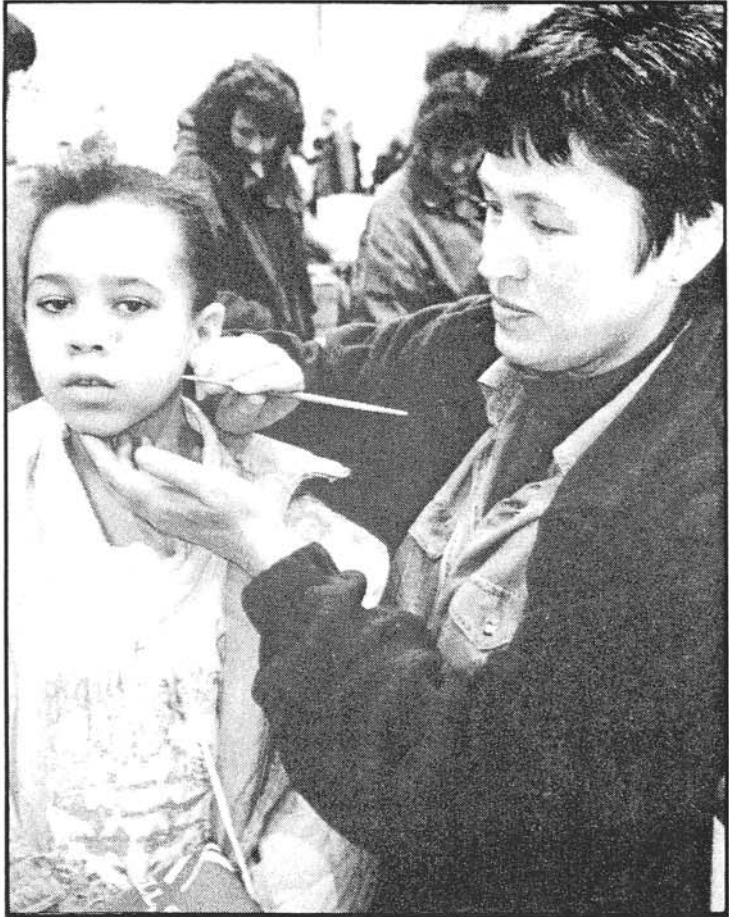
Over 60 vendors lined the tennis courts with a wide variety of Scottish and American items for purchase. The fair was open to the local population and members of both communities shopped from 1000 until closing at 1730.



The Navy Day Ball Committee and several other base organizations provided a conglomeration of foods to tempt the shoppers.

This year the Medical Clinic had a Health Fair in cooperation with the Craft & Antique Fair. The fair was organized to provide information and training for members of both communities. The staff of the medical clinic took blood pressure readings, gave free stress tests, and answered questions and concerns of those who ventured into the tent. CPR classes were given by qualified volunteer instructors at various times throughout the day. MODP answered questions about local laws and handed out pamphlets on driving safety. A representative from Navy Security was available to help interested individuals enroll children in the Ident-A-Kid program and to offer information on the D.A.R.E. program. Organizers felt by holding the two fairs together patrons were offered a larger variety of activities. All of the proceeds of the 1996 Craft & Antique Fair will be donated to Youth Activity Programs and Scottish charities. The thirteenth and final Craft & Antique Fair was deemed a success.

(previous page) CTMC(SS) Gordon Kinnie opened the 1996 Craft & Antique Fair. (photo right) Bryana Orsborn pictured with professional face painter Mary McGregor. (bottom) The Halsey School booth at the Craft and Antique Fair. (L-R) Tracy Searles, Dane Thomas, Wanda Crona, CTRCM Joe Holder and daughter Elizabeth. Money raised at the booth goes into school funds.



*Photography provided by
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TEAMWORK: WILL GET YOU MILES DOWN THE ROAD

by GySgt Kennedy

It all started on a chilly, dark, and damp December day. It was during the annual Marines Toys for Tots Fun-Run that a few runners decided to bond together and forge an inter-service team to compete in the 1996 Flora London Marathon. Most people would think that a decision of this sort has to be chemically induced; they are right. We were experiencing a "Runner's High" produced by endorphins while competing in the Toys for Tots Fun-Run. Lt. Gagnon and TSgt Greenbaum had ran 25 miles, while GySgt Kennedy had ran 13 miles, so there were plenty of endorphins to go around. As talk of forming an RAF Edzell inter-service marathon team progressed, we decided it would be a good idea to submit registration forms for the London Marathon as it was already mid December and the registration deadline was fast approaching. Lt. Gagnon spoke with London registration officials and received the appropriate registration forms. We promptly filled out the forms and mailed them back to the London Marathon registration office. By mid January we received confirmation that we were entered in the marathon.

Now that entry had been secured, the hard work of training commenced. Lt. Gagnon and TSgt Greenbaum began training in the local area, while GySgt Kennedy, who was sent TAD to Quantico, Virginia, began training on his own. Upon GySgt Kennedy's return in March the team began to train together. Training was accomplished despite the various watch schedules and routines of the service members. Many a training run was accomplished either up or down the Glen or around the local network of roads. During these training runs, teamwork was the focus. We pushed each other for that something extra during runs and kept each other motivated, while still enjoying the scenery of the Scottish countryside.

After all the hard training had been put in, it was now time to make it pay off. We all departed for London in anticipation of the marathon. Once in London we met at the Travel Inn Lodge, Hayes, London, which was to be our place of residence for the next two days. We promptly checked into our rooms, dropped off our bags, and proceeded to Olympia 2, Kensington, London, home of the 1996 London Marathon Expo and race registration. The Expo contained numerous exhibits ranging from running shoes, apparel, sports drinks/bars, Runner's

World magazine, and entry tables for Marathons throughout the world. In addition, professional elite Marathoners were on hand to provide advice and sign autographs. After registration and a visit to the Expo we were ready to continue our carbo-loading ritual at the all-you-can-eat Carbo-Carnival, which was being held near Victoria Station. A quick tube ride later and we were there, carbo-feasting. The atmosphere at the Carbo-Carnival was one of relaxation; the runners were enjoying the food and entertainment that was provided. After we were fully carbo-loaded and well hydrated we departed for our hotel. Once at the hotel the team members gathered and discussed last minute preparations for the big event; it was at this moment that Lt. Gagnon presented T-Shirts to the RAF Edzell Marathon Team to commemorate the 1996 London Marathon. This presentation came as a surprise to the team and was truly appreciated. With final preparation plans made it was time for lights out, as we all had a big day ahead of us.

Marathon day, April 21, finally arrived. We arose at 0500 to begin our journey to the starting point of what promised to be a memorable run. We travelled by car, rail, and underground from Hayes (West London) to Charing Cross. Once at Charing Cross we met up with thousands of other runners who were also making their way to the start. From Charing Cross we travelled by rail to Blackheath, the starting point of the 1996 London Marathon. We arrived at the start at approximately 0730 and found a spot on the ground to stretch and relax. Plenty of water and Isostar (sports drink) was provided to ensure that we maintained our well hydrated state. A quick check of the sky revealed a beautiful sunny day lie ahead (which yielded temperatures in the mid 70's). Finally it was time to line up in our starting area and wait for the sound of the gun. Friendly chatter was passed among the runners who all seemed eager and anxious for the marathon to commence. Another quick check of the sky revealed helicopters with BBC television crews, who were canvassing the crowd of over 27,000 who had gathered to run. Then at exactly 0930 a cannon shot was heard, followed by an eager roar from the runners. The 1996 London Marathon had begun.

The beginning of the race started tentatively; going was very slow due to the large crowd amassed. It took us approximately 9 minutes to reach the actual starting line. The early stages of the race remained crowded and did not really allow us to run at the pace we desired. At the six

mile mark we passed the first landmark, the Cutty Sark. We then continued on to the next significant landmark, Tower Bridge, which marked the halfway point. As we were approaching Tower Bridge, the crowds of spectators began to swell and after crossing the bridge we were amazed to discover our loved ones had gotten through the crowd and were leaning along the rail taking pictures and cheering us on. Immediately after crossing the bridge we began to make a seven mile loop through Canary Wharf. After negotiating Canary Wharf, we proceeded under Tower Bridge where we encountered the dreaded cobblestone road which leads to the Tower of London. A small carpet had been laid upon the cobblestones to ease the running, but by this point in the race and after being pounded by 20,000 legs, the carpet had lost its resiliency. After passing the Tower of London, it was up on to the Embankment where we could see the Parliament building and Big Ben. The finish was a mere three miles away and we could sense the excitement building. We ran along the Embankment and passed the HMS Discovery and Cleopatra's Needle. As we reached the end of the Embankment we turned right and headed for Buckingham Palace to the finish line on the Mall. As we approached Buckingham Palace and turned up towards the Mall, we were startled by the sight of our loved ones. Once again they had managed to fight through the crowds and position themselves along the railing. As we passed they cheered us along with words of "only a half mile to go." As we entered the Mall we could see the Finish Line in sight. The big "FINISH" banner hung overhead and next to it was the all important clock which continued to tic. The team then came abreast; we checked our running form and gave each other congratulatory looks mixed with a few motivational words. We knew that the end of the race was at hand. We picked up the pace with good running form (we wanted to look good for the finish line photographers who were gathered around) and began to surge. We started as a Team and were now finishing as a Team. As we crossed the finish line we began to celebrate among ourselves. We received our "Finisher's Medal and T-Shirt" and stopped to pose for a Team picture taken by one of the photographers at the finish. Our next task was to link up with our loved ones who were somewhere

Participants from NSGA Edzell started as a team and finished as a team. (left to right) GySgt Stanley Kennedy, TSgt Dan Greenbaum, LT Todd Gagnon.

out there in the mob of spectators. To our surprise this was really no task at all, for they had managed to find us. We then sat down for a well deserved rest.

During the course of the race we saw many people in fancy dress/costume. We also talked with and ran with many other runners, who like us, had that one binding common goal - to finish. We supported each other throughout the race, constantly checking to see how one another was feeling, and talking of various things to keep the motivational level high. The support of the crowds along the route further enhanced our motivation levels. They provided us with food (candy, oranges, bananas) and countless words of encouragement which included "Well done" or "Keep moving". We were able to feed off of their energy.

For Lt. Gagnon and TSgt Greenbaum, this was their first marathon, however it was not the first for GySgt Kennedy. The team was in agreement that the event was very well organized and the support provided was outstanding. We also agreed that due to the horde of runners traversing the narrow streets of London, the London Marathon is one to be run for "fun" and not for time. This is one Marathon that was designed to enjoy the course, the people, and the atmosphere of the whole occasion.

Last, but by no means least, the RAF Edzell London Marathon Team would like to express a sincere "Thank You" to the USAF Wives Club, CPOA, Chief Petty Officers Spouses Club, Officer Association Heather Club, Acey Deucey Association, Navy Wives Club, Rod and Gun Club, and all who donated their time, money, and support. A special "Thank You" goes out to Mrs. Martha Faust and TSgt Bob Benitez for their extra efforts during our fundraisers.



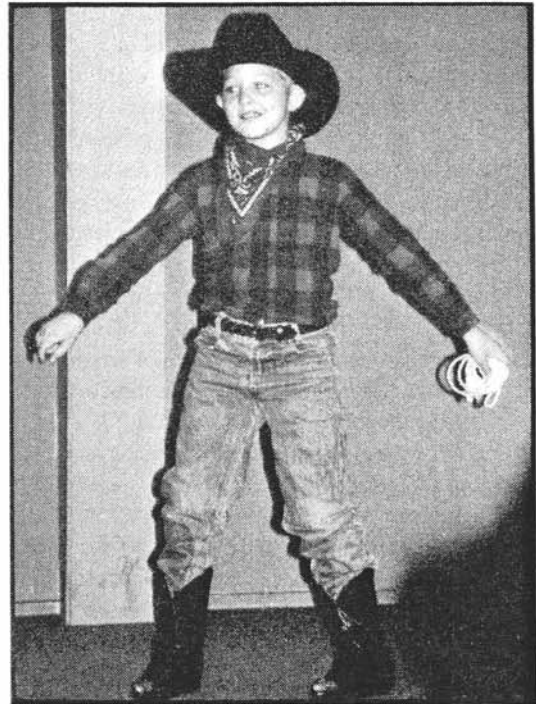
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A Look at Spring Fashion

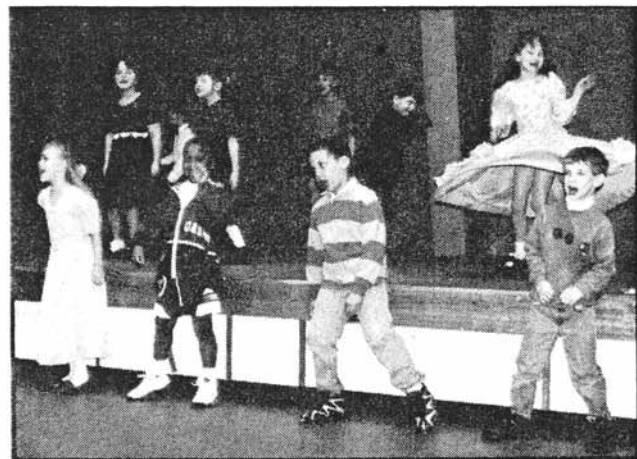
by Patti Robinett

The first grade class at Halsey School presented a Spring Style Show to parents and members of the Parent teacher organization. The style show was on May 2, at the monthly PTO meeting. The children chose the outfit they wanted to model. The event, which runs annually, featured sportswear, church wear, beach wear, and clothing from other countries. After the Fashion Show, members of the audience enjoyed a musical presentation from the students. The children sang two songs and danced three dances. The tremendous amount of effort put into each of the performances by the entire first grade class was evident to those who attended. The evening was happy and the delightful program was enjoyed by all.

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



(above) The children chose their own outfits. Outfits chosen ranged from casual to formal and included many different cultures. (left) The students performing a musical presentation. (below) The musical presentation consisted of three songs and dancing.



Earth Day

by Shelly Adascheck

To celebrate Earth Day on Monday, April 22, the children of the half-day preschool program set out to do their part and help clean up our base. We ventured over to the Loch Wee area and picked up the litter that had collected behind the barracks and around the fence area. The children

were quite excited to help the area look cleaner and "make our Earth look prettier." When the task was complete, each of the twelve children had a full bag of trash and disposed of it in its proper place - the trash bin. On our walk back to the classroom the children discussed why we should keep our Earth clean. The children understood the concept of keeping our Earth clean, but had a hard time understanding why it wasn't happening. As four year old Viona Miller so eloquently put it, "I hope those people don't do that no more." So as you take that stroll along the Loch, please remember to keep the area clean; the preschoolers worked hard to get it that way.



The children took a break from the tedious clean-up to pose for the "Tartan Log." (below) Children of the half day pre-school program participated in Earth Day by cleaning around Loch Wee and the ball field.

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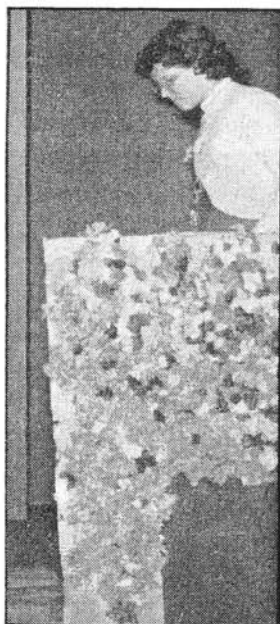
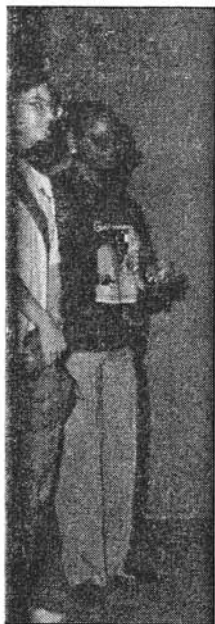
Girl Scouts Award Ceremony

Story and Photography by
PH2 Carole Rollman

On May 19, the RAF Edzell Girl Scouts held their closing court of awards ceremony. This is an exciting, but sad event. It's exciting because the Scouts receive their patches, try its, badges, and some graduate. It's sad because they don't meet again until September. For the first time since being established at RAF Edzell, the Girl Scouts earned the President's Award. The award recognizes outstanding Girl Scout Neighborhoods and all the hard work that goes into them. The neighborhoods consist of Girl Scout Leaders, volunteers, Cadettes, Juniors, Brownies, and Daisy troops. They are judged in all areas of Girl Scouting, including training availability for leaders and volunteers, overall membership and



Two of the Daisies look anxiously towards the bridge they cross over to become Brownies.



retention rate, public affairs and community involvement, and communication within the Girl Scout Neighborhood itself. All of the Girl Scouts and Leaders have made this a great year, and Rita Goerling, through encouragement, patience, and sheer hard work has been the mastermind behind the scenes making it possible for Edzell to win this award.

Some of the numerous highlights*of the year have included camping, horse back riding in the hills behind Edzell, and a sleep-over in Halsey School gym. It has been a very successful and rewarding year and congratulations go to all the Girl Scouts, Leaders, and volunteers of the RAF Edzell Girl Scout Neighborhood. Good job and have a great summer.

(far left) A cadette Girl Scout waits for her new sister to join her. (left) A small walk over the bridge opens up a new life for this Junior who is now becoming a Cadette.

Girl Scouts Award Ceremony

(right) All of the Junior Girl Scouts are proud of the accomplishments achieved this year. (bottom) Half of the Brownies are eagerly looking forward to being Junior Girl Scouts next year. The other half can't wait for the Brownie year to begin.

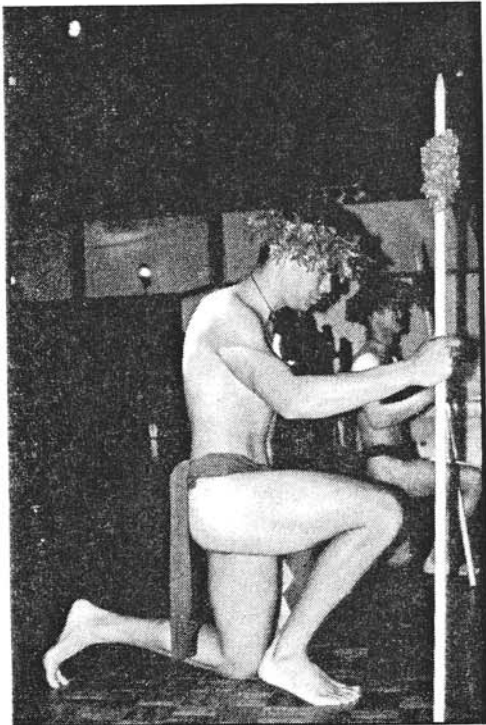
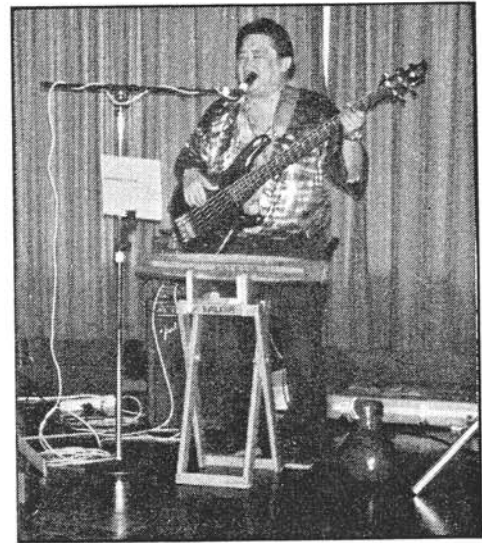


Edzell's Entertainment

Symbolic Dancing: A Salute to Asian Pacific Heritage Month

Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

(right) Hawaiian vocalist sang folk songs providing verbal interpretation of the dancers movements. (bottom left) Dancers displayed the Samoan salute to the audience at the Wheelhouse. (bottom right) Traditional Samoan clothing helped the audience visualize the culture, enabling them to better understand Asian Pacific Heritage.



ANTI - TERRORIST EXERCISE

Story and photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

On May 2, the Edzell Auxiliary Security Force (ASF) spent the day finding bombs, arresting personnel and identifying intruders. The intensity of this quarterly training exercise was greatly increased by the assistance of the RM Condor Royal Marines Anti-Terrorist group.

The training included the following scenarios:

A terrorist group coerced the help of an innocent victim by holding his family hostage. The terrorists handcuffed the victim to the steering wheel of his vehicle and placed a bomb inside. The hostage was sent away with instructions not to touch the ignition and to drive to RAF Edzell. When he arrived at the gate the vehicle stalled and he was close to hysteria. The ASF assessed the situation and calmed the man

down by informing the civilian authorities to help his family. Once he was calm, they searched the vehicle to see where the bomb(s) were located. Finding it safe, they cut the handcuffs and removed the man from the vehicle. Once people in the perimeter of danger had been evacuated, they pushed the

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ASF always gets the terrorist. This one never had a chance to escape.

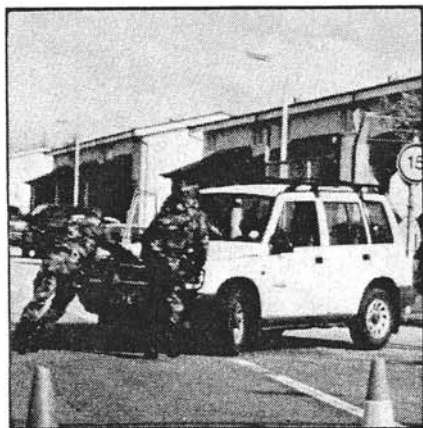
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ASF are concerned for the driver and the base population as they discover the bomb planted in the vehicle.

everyone in sight. A quickthinking bystander in the back of the building heard the gunshots and called security. The ASF responded by evacuating the survivors and trapping the intruders inside. They completed the exercise by neutralizing two and arresting the third terrorist.

Due to the superb training given by GYSGT Champy and the Royal Marines, and the leadership of CTMCS(SS) Kinnie, the ASF received high remarks from the Comacchio Anti-Terrorist Group. Bravo-Zulu ASF.

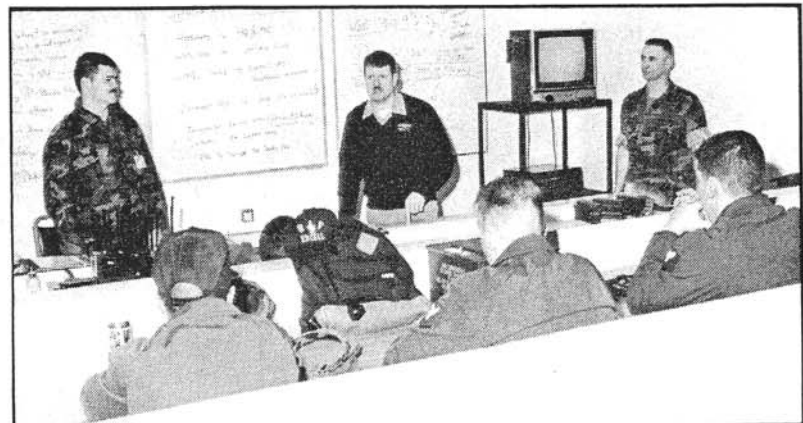


Once guards are posted, the vehicle is carefully pushed away.

vehicle to an empty pasture, away from exploding range of base structures. Guards were posted around the sector until explosive experts arrived.

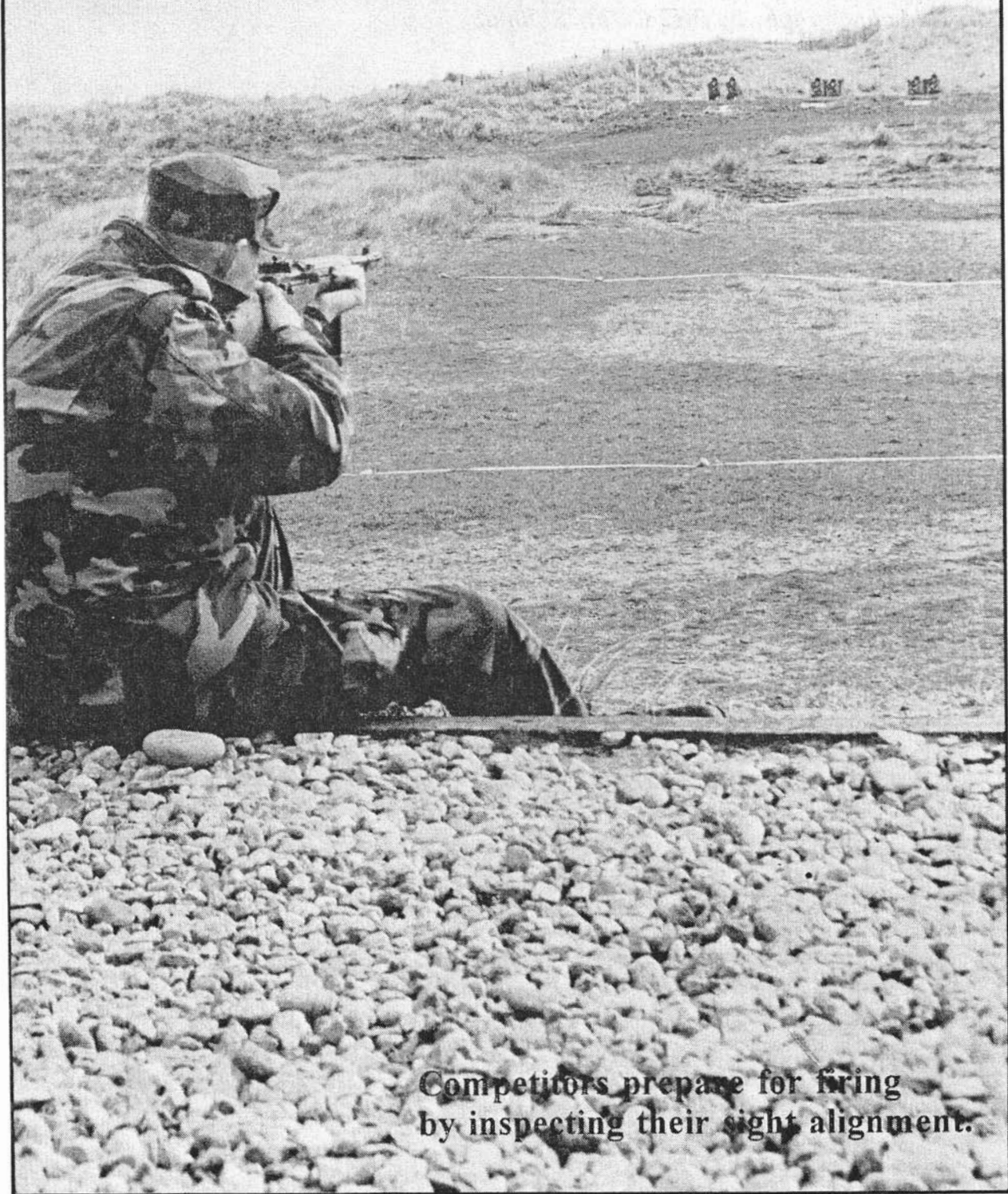
An intruder, disguised as a painter, tried to come on base carrying paint cans. ASF stopped him because of an improperly filled out pass. Unable to get on the base the painter contrived an excuse saying that he would talk to his foreman about the mix up. ASF denied his request and forced him to wait for MODP to arrive. Upon MODP arrival the pass was proven to be stolen and the intruder was found to have bomb making materials in the paint cans. Because of their keen observation ASF avoided potential catastrophe.

In the afternoon, terrorists took over building 94 and shot



CTMCS Kinnie stresses his point of how important it is for the ASF to use all the training and common sense they possess.

Wapinschaw



Competitors prepare for firing
by inspecting their sight alignment.

Wapinschaw

Story and photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

On May 4, NSGA Edzell participated in the Aberdeen Wapinschaw. This is a yearly competition for military personnel to demonstrate their weapon shooting skills. The first Wapinschaw was held over 550 years ago, in 1424. The Aberdeen Wapinschaw has been established since 1862, and base personnel have been participating in the competition since the mid 1970's. This one day event offered teams and individuals a chance to compete in nine team and 28 individual categories.



(above) (back row, L-R) GMG2 Legan, CTO2 McClung, HM2 Raniowski, (front row, L-R) QM2 Miller, HM2 Matthews, and Lt Wright. (left) Lt Wright collects his award for the days' shooting.

Wapinschaw



(back row, L-R) Sgt Giles, Cpl Place, Cpl Krauel, (front row, L-R) Cpl Lusk, Sgt Schaeberg, and Cpl Bilderback.

Three of the 21 teams and four of the individual participants present were from NSGA Edzell. After the long day of competition, two members from Edzell brought home trophies. Petty Officer Jay Miller earned the Navy Bown and the Marine Bowl for the rifle competition. LT Wright won the Fintray Cup for the firing in built up areas competition. Because this may be the last time for base personnel to partake in the event, CDR Ray was invited to come and present the awards to the winners. Both military communities will miss the comradere shared at this time honored event.



(back row, L-R) SRA Poff, Tsgt Button, Ssgt Faust, Lt Col Strathearn, (front row, L-R) Tsgt Greenbaum, and Ssgt Anderson.

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s

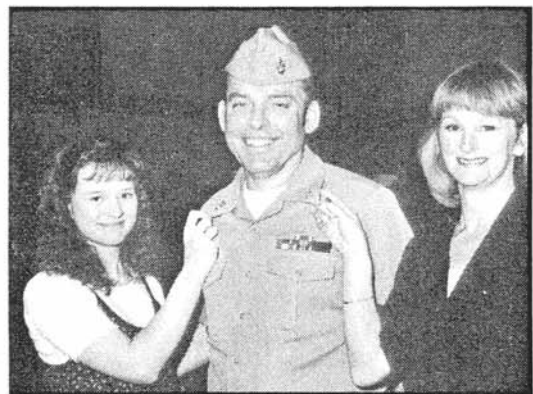
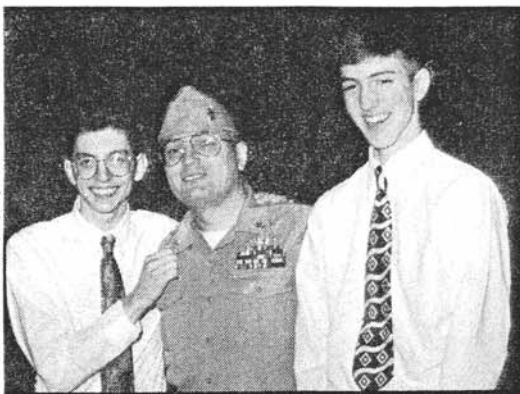


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(front row, L-R) PH2 Carole Rollman, NAM; CTOC William Toth, NAM; CTT1 Laura Gray, NAM; (back row, L-R) CTA3 Lawrence Turley, FLOC; CTM3 Jasmine Bulloch, FLOC; CTT2 Terri Daugherty, FLOC; CTO3 Tina Anderson, FLOC; and CTT2 Aaron Fleet, FLOC.

MCPO & SCPO Frockings

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



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Congratulations to:

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CTACM Paul Mattocks

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CTMCM Michael Sparks

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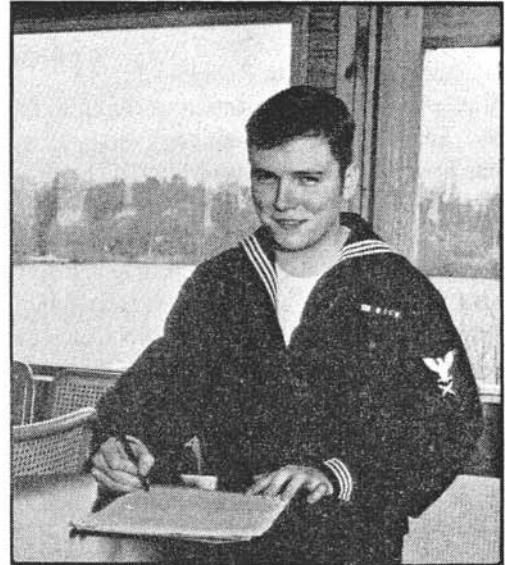
CTMCS Gordon Kinnie

Reenlistments This Month

by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton

During the month of May, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended.

CTT1 David Colon
CTT2 Aaron Fleet
CTT2 Anthony Browning
RP2 Michael Petty
CTT1 Andrew Gray
CTT1 Laura Gray
CTR1 Artmeisha Beidleman
CTT1 Frederick Rogers
CTR2 Steven McDonald
CTR3 Joseph Leonard
CTR1 Glenn Spencer



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

CTR3 Robert Donnelly signs his reenlistment contract with a smile.

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

MODP Retirements

by Inspector Gary Smart

Constable Allan Cameron

Retired February 2, 1996

Joined the MOD Police on January 7, 1974 at Clyde Submarine Base, Faslane. Duty stations include: RAF Bishopton, RAF Kinloss, and RAF Edzell since November 4, 1985.

Constable Robert Campbell, MBE

Retired February 29, 1996

Joined the MOD Police February 18, 1980 at Reme Old Dalby. After serving in the Army, he transferred to RAF Edzell on November 1, 1985 and remained here until retirement.

Constable John Lunn

Retired March 31, 1996

Joined MOD Police on August 26, 1975 in Northern Ireland at RNAD Antrim after service with the RAF and Post Office. He transferred to RAF Edzell on October 25, 1977.

Sergeant Danny May

Retired March 31, 1996

Joined the MOD Police on August 21, 1972 at Clyde Submarine Base Faslane. Served at: RNAD Coulport, Clyde Marine Unit Faslane, and he transferred to RAF Edzell on October 1, 1985.

Junior Sailor of the Quarter

Congratulations to Religious Program Specialist Seaman Victor Colon for his selection as Junior Sailor of the Quarter 2-96. Seaman Colon is a native of Jersey City, New Jersey and has been in the Navy since March of 1995.

RPSN Colon said he loves the RP Rating. "It's the most unique job in the Navy. The RP community as a whole are given the opportunity to help people in a spiritual way," he said. When asked about how he feels about his selection as Junior Sailor of the Quarter, RPSN Colon said, "I am honored that the board chose me. It showed me that people eventually will recognize all your hard work."

What he likes about Scotland is it's people and history. "Everywhere you go there is a story from the past. It's rolling green hills makes it a truly beautiful country. The people are very friendly and hospitable," said Colon.

His hobbies are; all sports, reading, dancing and watching old movies. He would like to eventually get his Master's Degree in Biblical History.

Congratulations on your selection!



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

Senior Sailor of the Quarter

Congratulations to Cryptologic Technician Maintenance First Class John A. Garlock for his selection as Senior Sailor of the Quarter 2-96. Petty Officer Garlock is a native of Greenville, Alabama and has been in the Navy since August of 1983.

Some of the other Commands CTM1 Garlock has been attached to are NTTCC Corry Station, NSA/CSS Ft Meade MD, and NSGA Hanza, Okinawa. CTM1 Garlock said he enjoys being in Scotland because of the calm relaxed atmosphere, the general safe secure feeling, and the tremendous amount of history that is around us.

CTM1 Garlock's role model in the Navy has been his wife, CTMC Laura Garlock. "She is the most efficient and organized person I have ever known, and she has a genuine concern for everyone around her," said Garlock.

Petty Officer Garlock's hobbies include wood working and computers. As far as his career is concerned he says that he will continue to perform all assigned duties to the best of his ability and let those accomplishments drive his career.

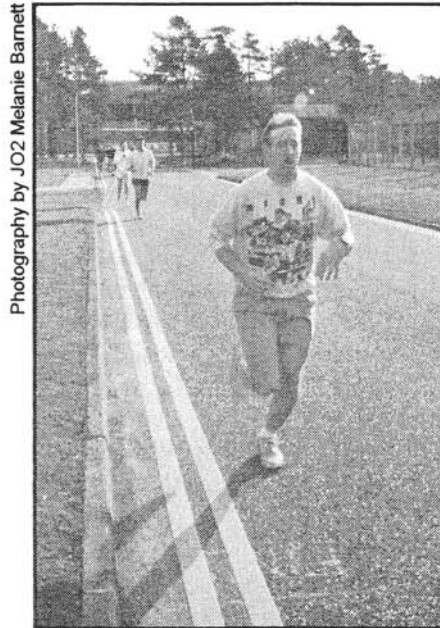
Congratulations on your selection!



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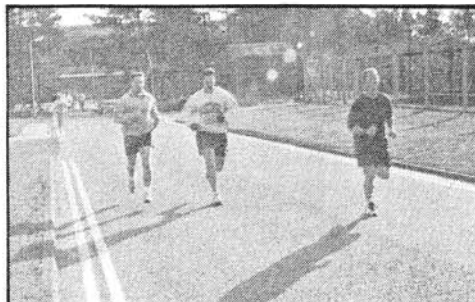
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LTJG Gagnon
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LT Hanley
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CTM2 Hoskin
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LCDR Hubbard



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LT Hummer
CE3 Jensen
EA2 Johnson
LT Karsch
CTMCS Kinnie
LCDR Knowles
LTJG Lands
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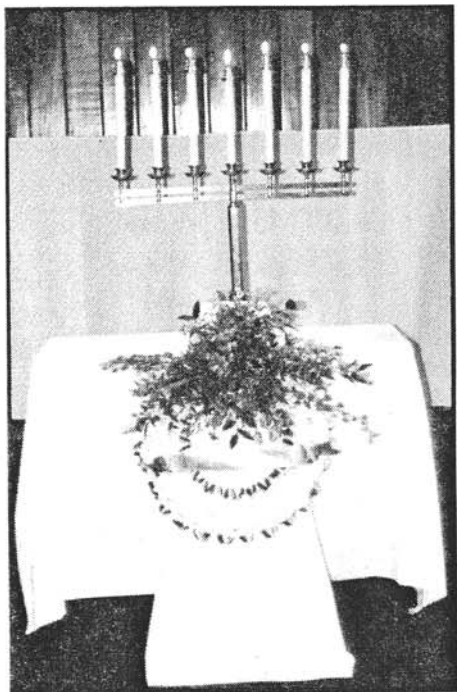


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CTM2 Staley
CTT2 Steen
CTR2 Taylor
CTR3 Todd
CTOC Toth
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CTTC Waters
DPC Wright

Holocaust Remembrance Day Ceremony

Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Holocaust. Why make a point to remember this attempted mass extermination of European Jews? "Because," said Reverend Earnest Levy, "It's important to pass warning to the present generation, to let the young people know how low humanity can sink if nobody has control over prejudices, and to never let it happen again!"



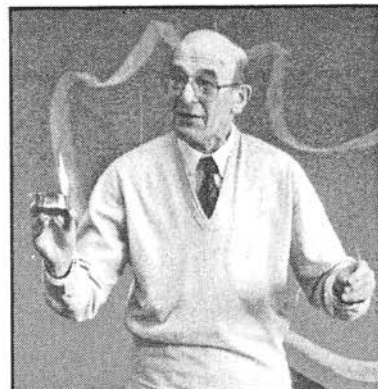
A joint service color guard laid a wreath to honor those who lost their lives.

In April of 1944, six years after he and his family were forced to move to Hungary, Rev. Levy was among the first Jews who were deported from the Hungarian capital by the Nazis. He was imprisoned at Bergen Belson until the camp was liberated in April of 1945. Many members of his family, including his father, brother, and sister, were murdered during the Holocaust.

Rev. Levy was the guest speaker at the May 9th Holocaust Service of Remembrance at the Chapel of Faith. Just before the ceremony at the Chapel, he spoke at Halsey School. The Reverend fascinated both audiences with his courage and strength in overcoming his bitterness. He showed no resentment as he told stories of terror; and spoke fondly of experiences that renewed his hope that the suffering would eventually end.

CAPT Philip D. Ray welcomed Rev. Levy during his opening remarks and offered selected readings from Gen. Eisenhower. CDR Bruce Drake, RPSN Victor Colon and CTA2 Rene Bachtel offered more selected readings.

Rev. Levy started the official service off by chanting, in Hebrew, the traditional opening for all Jewish prayers. Six candles were lit to represent and honor the memory of the more than six million Jews who died in the Holocaust. A wreath was laid by a joint service ceremonial guard to finalize the ceremony.



Rev. Levy showed students a replica of a lamp, made out of a sardine tin, used in the camps.



Members of the audience are fascinated by the strength and courage Rev. Levy displayed.

Company Corner

By Sgt Clinton J. Giles



OOORRAHH!! and congratulations go out to SSgt Monaghan and SSgt Saulsbury who recently returned from the Staff Noncommissioned Officers' Academy Staff Course, in Quantico, VA, where they placed 2nd and 4th respectively, in the class. Congratulations also to Sgt Giles who recently completed the Sergeants' Course in Quantico, graduating 2nd in his class. Unfortunately, just as these Marines returned, we had to say good-bye to some. SSgt Monaghan and his family left for the sun splashed beaches in Rota, Spain immediately upon his return. We then lost our Company B Key Volunteer, Tina Lashbrook, to the rugged Rockies in Colorado. Thanks for all your hard work. She will be followed soon by SSgt Lashbrook, who will join her in Colorado for duty with Company A, Marine Support Battalion.

This moving could be looked at as the beginning of the end for Co. B in Scotland, but we're taking advantage of what time we have left. Sgt Schwarberg, who recently participated in the Scottish Golf Association tournament in Banchory, competed on an individual basis for 18 holes. He will not say if he used the same ball the whole time though! As Sgt Schwarberg is an accomplished golfer we can only hope he did.

The whole Company got in some touring, eh, I mean "training" for the month when we all took a historic walk and battlefield trip. We began with a stop at the Wallace Memorial. This memorial to the Scottish hero William Wallace, whose story was made famous worldwide in the movie "BraveHeart," contains the original Wallace sword. The sword is a giant 66 inch two handed sword called a "claymore." It is said, a sword of this size needs a wielder to be 6 ft 6 inches just to be able to use it effectively. After getting an incredible view of the surrounding country side and the city of Stirling from the top of the Memorial, we all descended the spiral stairs to move to the next site. This stop was Bannockburn Battlefield, where less than 20 years after the death of William Wallace, Wallace's dream of freedom for

the Scots came to pass under the hand of the newly crowned King of Scots, Robert the Bruce. The Bruce lead a Scottish army that was outnumbered at least 3 to 1 against the onslaught of King Edward of England, and yet emerged victorious. SSgt Lashbrook gave the Company a tactical play by play of the battle as it is recorded from various historical sources. With all that, it really gave us an appreciation for the miraculous victories that can be achieved through the brilliant application of sound tactics. After a stop for lunch we mounted the bus and stormed Stirling Castle. The castle has had buildings occupying the location for more than 700 years, and has been used as everything from a religious abbey, to a royal palace, to a military barracks. The castle is currently being restored to its former palatial splendor. All in all, the Company became much more appreciative of Scottish history and heroes and their contributions to shaping this country.

"One shot, one kill!" That is the motto of many a Marine rifleman. It's also an exciting concept the Marines of Company B like to practice. The Marines are not the only ones who value marksmanship, as the annual Wapinschaw shooting competition at Black Dog Ranges proves. The first Wapinschaw was held over 550 years ago and with the exception of the years of the First and Second World Wars, it has been held annually since 1862. The Marine team made up of Sgt Schwarberg, Sgt Giles, Cpl Bilderback, Cpl Krauel, Cpl Lusk and Cpl Place competed against 21 other teams ranging from Territorial Army units and RAF officer cadets, to the US Navy and Air Force. The competition was stiff, and so was the wind, as the rounds flew down range all day. A good day of shooting was had by all, and although the Marines did not walk away with any trophies, each gained valuable experience in competing in a weapons competition. Till next time Semper Fi!

Safety

*R. M. Donaldson
Safety Manager*

Environmental Impact of Contamination

When we consider that most of our life-giving substances are from the land, do we ever sit back and consider how we treat Mother Earth? We should look seriously at what we want the world to be for future generations. The following are but a few of the methods that can help achieve a better environment.

(a) RECYCLING

(i) Aluminum and steel cans - The conversion of raw material in both instances uses considerable amounts of energy. The recycling process cuts this by 30 - 40 % and reduces global warming from stack gasses.

(ii) Paper - The deforestation of the world at large is causing major problems in South America, India and other locations where no replanting scheme is in effect. Once again, there is an energy saving if we recycle paper and cardboard.

(iii) Glass - The conversion of sands to glass is another high energy user. Recycling reduces this considerably.

(iv) Oil - While oil originates from deep within the earth, it is one of the major land and sea contaminates. Most oils can be reused and will go some way to conserving our oil resources.

As a footnote to recycling, most of these items would almost certainly go to landfill with all its attendant problems.

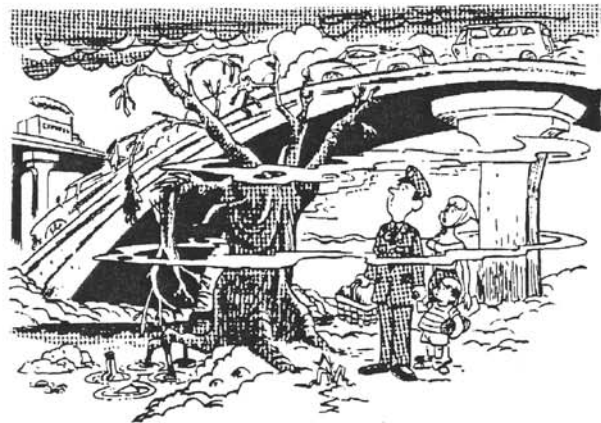
(b) CHEMICALS/DETERGENTS

(i) Chemicals - If you name a cleaning problem there is almost certainly a chemical solution to it. In areas of chemical use, whether it be cleaning or garden use, exercise extreme care because

indiscriminate use can destroy streams and river beds and can also make land infertile for long periods.

(ii) Detergents - They come into a similar category as chemicals and their use can also have long term effects on land and water quality.

All of the materials mentioned in (a) and (b) can have an environmental impact if not used properly or recycled, so I ask you to give some thought to what you do.



The key word is

RECYCLE

and wherever possible use

**ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY
PRODUCTS**

or those which are known to be

BIODEGRADABLE.

LOOK TO THE FUTURE

BEQ/BOQ Finalizes Reservation System

by MSCS Joseph May

The Navy has recently implemented a system to help make Navy traveling a little easier for Sailors, Marines and Civilian Employees. The system is called the Bachelor Quarter Central Reservation System (BQCRS). On May 17, the NSGA Edzell BEQ/BOQ went online and is now able to offer all the services of the new reservation system.

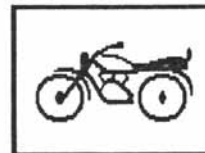
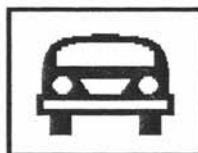
The system allows users to make all lodging reservations, government quarters or commercial hotel/motel, through the servicing commercial travel office (CTO). The current CTO is Sato Travel.

The CTO is required to assist all Navy travelers categorized as follows:

1. Navy military and civilian personnel on temporary duty, funded by appropriated funds.
2. Navy students, other than recruits and "A" School students, on either temporary duty under instruction (TEMDUINS) or TDY orders, which authorize the payment of per diem.
3. Naval Reservists on funded AT/ADT orders and IDTT/IDT personnel on an advance reservation list.

POV travelers or those using a Navy owned aircraft, who require lodging reservations, may use one of Sato Travel's toll free numbers:

United States	800-576-9327
Japan	0031126798
Spain	900971442
UK	0500893819
Korea	00781488002768
Guam	001180057693
Italy	167871591



Order writing authorities are reminded that the following information is required to book a reservation:

- Full name, rank/rate, and gender of traveler**
- Official title for personnel in paygrades 0-6/GM-15 and above**
- Full social security number**
- Originating command/site to which ordered**
- Specific command/site to which ordered**
- Estimated time of arrival**
- Whether per diem is authorized or not**

This is the final phase of a four year effort to develop and implement a full service automated travel system to better serve Navy travelers. When government quarters are not available, the CTO will offer the traveler commercial lodging in a hotel/motel that meets Navy standards or one of personal choice. It is essential that travelers comply with Navy policy and use the system to book lodgings. If you have any question contact extension 2232.

Largs Viking Festival 1996

by Yvonne Cant

The Largs Viking Festival celebrates the historic link between Scotland, York and Norway in an eight day event held August 30 until September 8. Rich in the history of Vikings who lived there from the 9th century, Largs is a seaside town of less than 10,000 people, about 30 miles south-west of Glasgow.

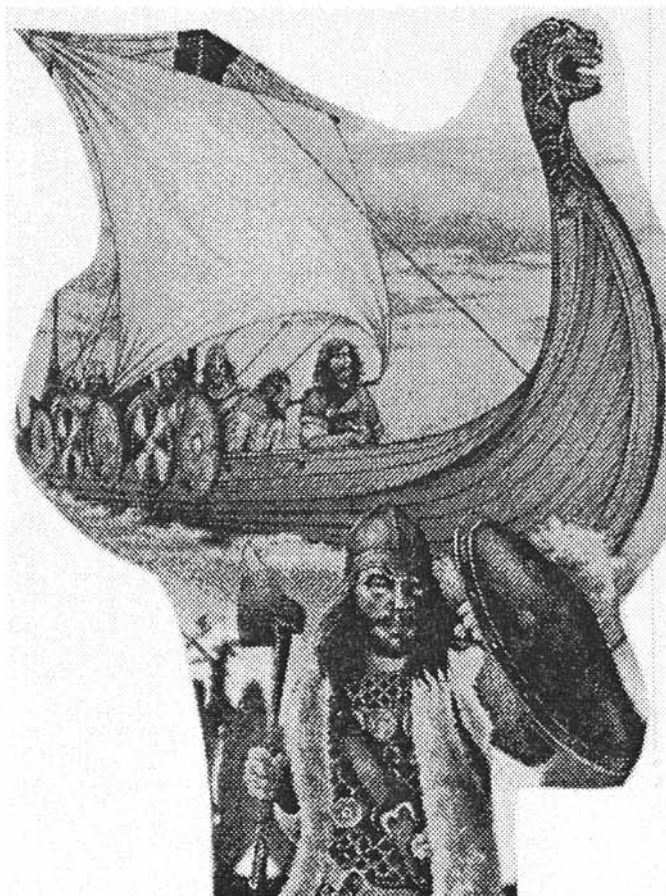
The last Norse raid took place on the mainland of Scotland in 1263, which resulted in the Battle of Largs (Largs means "the slopes"). On that occasion a massive Viking fleet, led by the celebrated Norwegian King Haakon Hakonson the Old, appeared in the neighborhood on an aggressive expedition to prop up his possessions in the Hebrides. He was repulsed by an army of Scots on the slopes of the Cunninghame Hills. A freak storm routed the Norse armada and King

Hakon was defeated, but it marked a turning point in Scotland's destiny. One direct result was that the Western Isles, long a part of Norse territory, became a region of the Scottish realm.

Throughout the eight day Festival a wide and varied program is arranged to provide something for all ages. Family ceilidhs, rock concerts, childrens activities, a Viking craft fair, exhibitions and lectures are just part of the extensive range of events. The centerpiece of the Festival is the establishment of a Viking Village on Largs esplanade, complete with longhouses, fires, animals and traditional Viking crafts. A trip through the Viking Village is an educational and entertaining illustration of the Viking way of life. Also included in the entertainment is a spectacular re-enactment of the Battle of Largs, where the Scots fend off the Viking raiders in a sensational battle. Fireworks will light up the sky as a burning Viking longship smoulders on its final journey to Valhalla, the resting place of all Viking warriors.

The Festival is continually developing links between Largs and Scandinavia by hosting a cultural delegation from Norway. Norwegian music, dance and community activities are incorporated into the Festival program.

Vinkingar is a recently opened visitors attraction which uses the latest multi-media and film technology to bring history to life and create an authentic experience with a superb balance of education and fun. From visiting a Viking homestead, to meeting Odin the God of War, to walking through Valhalla you will find yourself fascinated by the sights, sounds and smells which draw you into history. Through the use of modern interactive displays and the latest in computer technology, you will be able to plot a Viking trail through Scotland and beyond,



discovering how the Vikings lived, fought, farmed, travelled and traded. Vikingar is open seven days a week, year round. Opening hours are: April - September, 10:30 - 1800 and October - March, 1030 - 1600.

If you are visiting the area at the end of August, include a visit to the Cowal Highland Gathering held in Dunoon, a 20 minute ferry ride from Gourock. This is Britain's largest highland games, last year 152 bands from around the world competed. The Games are held over two days, always on the last Friday and Saturday in August. Saturday, August 31, is the best day, when the population of Dunoon jumps from around 9,000 to over 20,000. No need to book a seat, just make your way to the Stadium where the games are held from 0830 until between 1700 and 1800, when all the bands will march down the main street at the finish of the games.

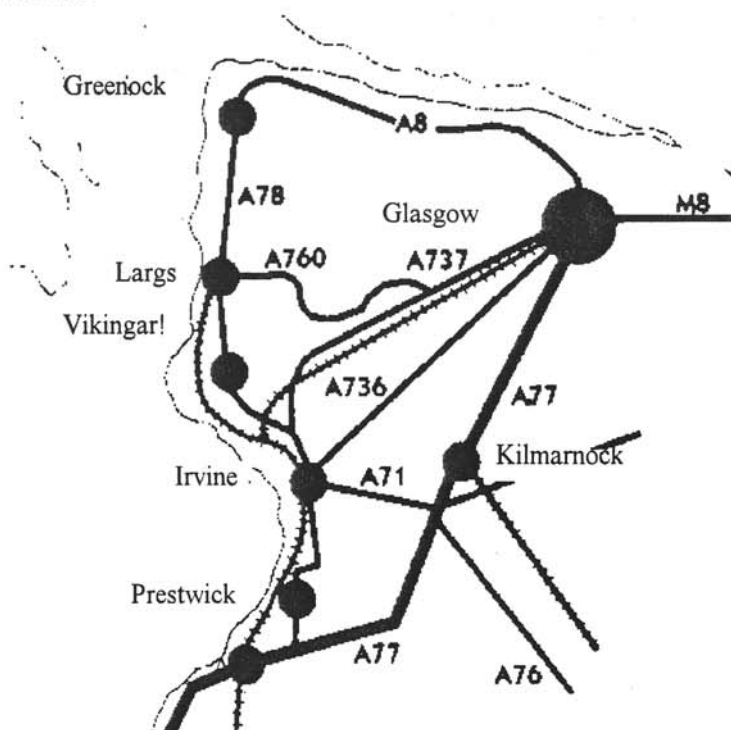
Or visit the town of Ayr, south of Largs, still on the coast. As Robert Burns said, Ayr is a town of "...handsome men and bonnie lassies." It also has a very nice shopping center of small, privately-owned shops, boutiques, etc. Further south visit the beautiful Robert Adam's 18th century Culzean Castle (Culane) 12 miles south of Largs and a National Trust Property. During the second World War, the people of Scotland put a suite of rooms in Culzean Castle at the disposal of General Eisenhower, a place for him to rest during those dark days. These rooms now house the Eisenhower exhibition with World War II memorabilia.

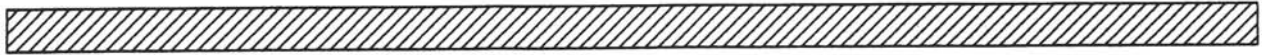
If you have never visited a Scottish island then now is your chance to visit three of them. From Wemyss Bay (Weems) catch the ferry to the Isle of Bute and the town of Rothesay. Take the car and make a tour of the island, which should only take a couple of hours, and visit Mount Stuart, home of the Marquis of Bute. Or from Largs itself, take a ferry to the Great Cumbrae Island

and the town of Millport. The thing to do here is hire a bicycle and cover the island this way. Or from Ardrossan, south of Largs, take the ferry to the Island of Arran (not where Aran sweaters come from - that's in Ireland).

Inland along the A71 is Kilmarnock and outside is the town of Newmilns, where you will find the Moonweave Lace Factory, in Brown Street. The factory is open Monday to Friday 0900 - 1630 and on Saturday 0900 - 1230.

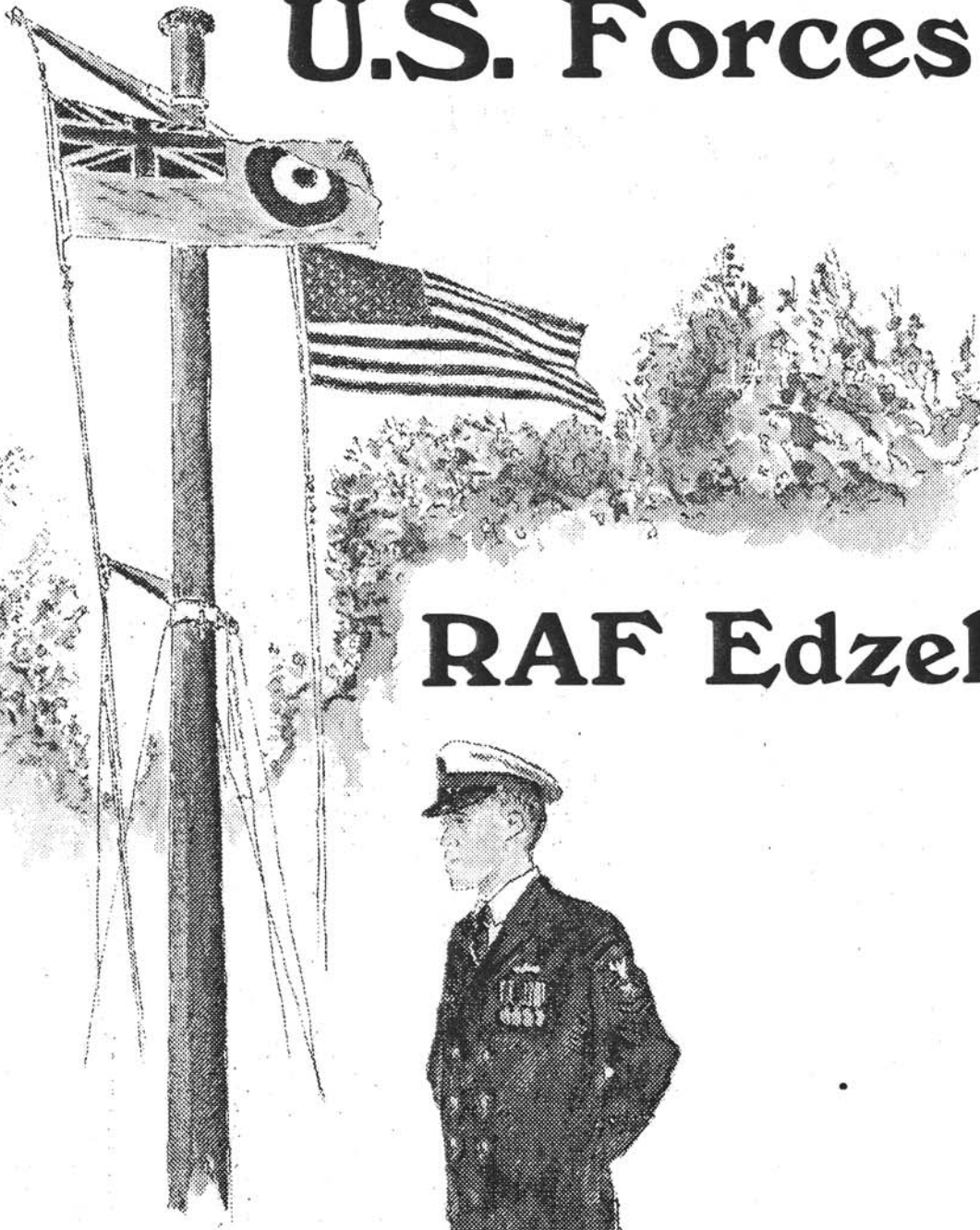
All these towns and islands I've mentioned are on the Firth of Clyde. You may wonder what a 'Firth' is? From it's humble beginnings in the Lead Hills beyond Glasgow, the River Clyde flows through the city. When it leaves the city behind and flows west towards the sea, the river begins to widen. From this point onwards the River Clyde becomes the Firth of Clyde.





Closure Logo Contest Runner-up

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Youth Bowling at Dundee

Story and photography by ET1 John Brull

On Saturday, 27 April the Edzell Youth Leagues competed against the Dundee Youth Leagues at Dundee's 36 lane bowling complex. Each Edzell team member received a T shirt to wear as they engaged the Dundee bowlers.

At one point the children started falling behind the much more practiced and experienced Dundee bowlers. A lesser bowler would have curled up and despaired, but not the high spirited bowlers of Edzell! A chant, faint at first, started in one of the bowling pits. Then the next alley heard it and joined in. Like the domino effect, it spread to all the Edzell bowlers, crescendoing up into a shout that echoed off the walls. ED-ZELL! ED-ZELL! ED-ZELL! The children rallied and some of the best bowling of the season was produced.

After the first set of games a beautiful lunch was provided by the American and the Scottish parents. Trophies for individual and team winners were presented to the preteen age groups of both American and Scottish bowlers. The Teen league still had another set to bowl, so while the teens bowled, the preteens enjoyed over an hour in the 'Zap Zone' where they played war games in a futuristic laser light battlefield. Parting with new friendships and good feelings, the Americans and Scots alike realized they had enjoyed an experience they'll never forget.

Thanks to the following people who helped during the youth bowling season:



Concentration and hopes were high.



Trophies for individual and team winners were presented to the pre-teen age groups of both American and Scottish bowlers.

*Dave Talmadge
Dave Eaton
Paul Sullivan
Paul Malkmus
Patty May
Evelyn Slaughter*

*Andy Blain
Barbie Malkmus
Bert Campbell
Wanda Larson
Dave Servais
Jim Slaughter*

Men's Thursday night Bowling League

All the parents and kids of Edzell and Dundee Youth Bowling.



Tug-of-War

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Most of us who have participated in tug-of-war have found it provides great fun and a good laugh. There are those among us, however, for whom tug-of-war is a serious sport. In 1972, a group of Sailors and Marines from Edzell became seriously interested in the sport. The team developed a reputation as strong competitors and earned an invitation to the annual Royal Braemar Gathering. This is the largest of Scotland's Highland Games and is attended by the Queen and other members of the Royal Family.

The 1980's brought invitations to compete in other major pulls. The Edzell team found itself competing in the Princess Royal Tournament held on the grounds of Windsor Castle. During this era the team also became a founding member of the newly created Scottish Tug-of-War Association (STOWA).

An even greater achievement was made in 1992, when the Edzell team won the 600 Kilo Competition against Canada at the Royal Tournament. This accomplishment resulted in an invitation to the Tug-of-War International Federation World Championships in Mosney, Ireland.

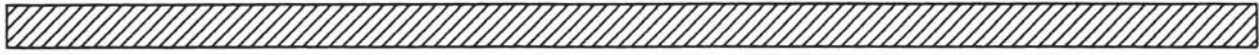
The Edzell tug team recently finished fifth in the 640 Kilo and sixth in the 600 kilo class at the Princes Royal Tournament. The team is scheduled to compete at several Highland Game Championship Tournaments and will be fighting for a place at the World Tug-of-War Competition in Holland.

Here are some upcoming tournaments: June 24, House of Lords vs. House of Commons; July 10-13, Royal Tournament; September 7, Royal Braemar Highland Games. The team is currently recruiting new members. Practice is held during lunch on Monday through Thursday and Saturday at 1000. The only requirement is a do or die/no quit attitude. For further information or to sign up call DPC Wright at ext. 2700.



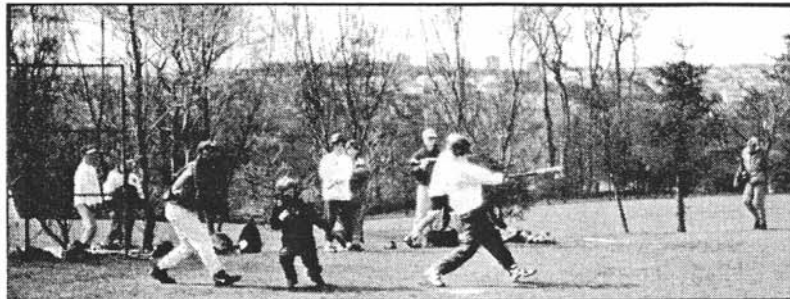
Photography by LT Sean McLaren

Members of the 1996 NSGA Edzell Tug of War Team. (L-R) David Mork, Douglas Ferm, Cory Schaich, Clyde Turner, Sean McLaren, Sam Jinks, and Javier Medina. Other members of the team not pictured are; Robert Wern, Chris Delouise, Lyle Olson, Dan Greenbaum, Mark Wegner, and Chris O'Rourke. Coaches Ken Miller and Keith Wright.



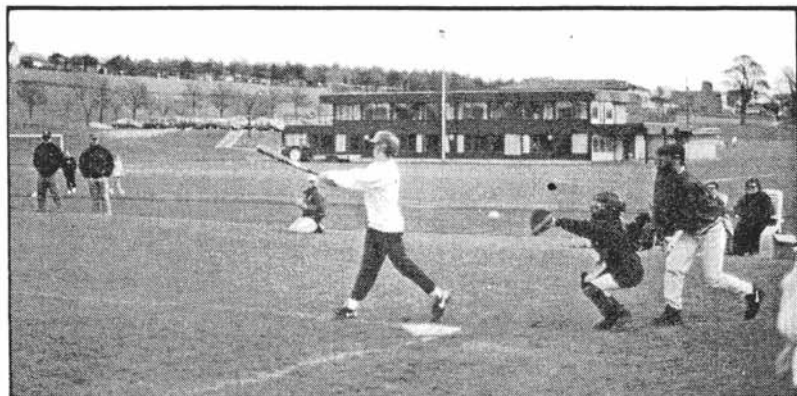
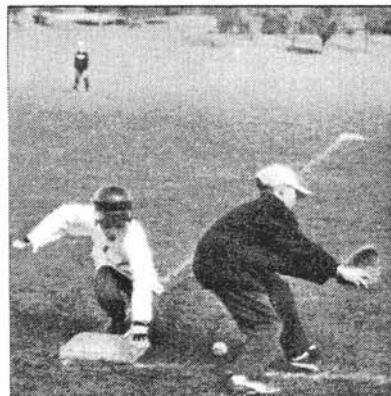
Little League Baseball

Team members, (front row, L-R) Scottie Turner, Warren Foxwell, Craig Searles, Danny Mateik, Stan Kennedy, (back row, L-R) Jonathan Sparks, Christopher Brown, Tito Faust, Derrick Willis, Dan Mateik; coach, (not pictured) Ken Searles; coach, Joe May, Jeremy May, Ken Jones, Keith Wright, Chris Wegner, and Nick Tyson.

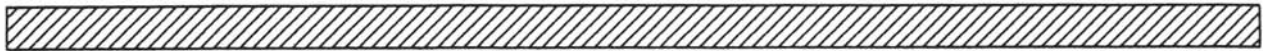


Christopher Brown steps to the plate and snaps a base hit for the NSGA Edzell Little League Team, The Rockies.

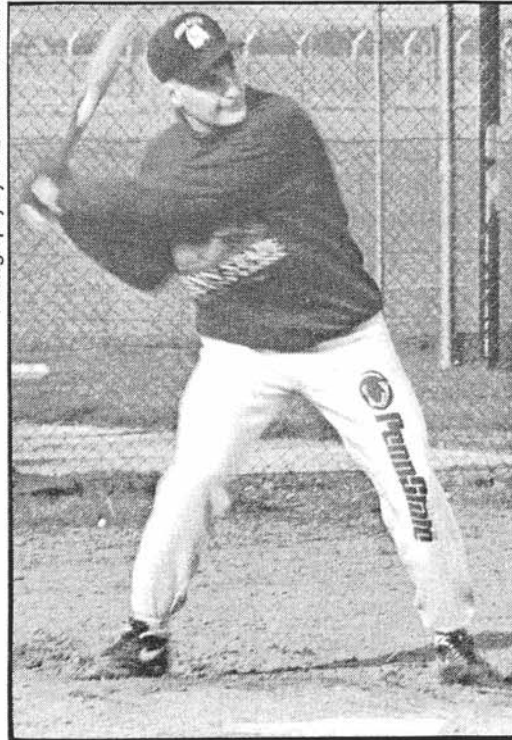
*Photography by
SFC Charles Foxwell*



(above) Scottie Turner with a swing and a miss, but still good for a base hit next pitch. (left) Warren Foxwell safe at third as the opposing team plays hide and seek with the ball.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



Softball

Tournament Results

First Place: Wiz Kids

Second Place: C's & O's

Third Place: Dayworkers

	WON	LOST	PCT.
C's & O's	7	1	.875
Air Force	6	2	.800
30 DIV.	5	3	.625
35 DIV.	2	6	.250
OOPS	0	8	.000

Final Standings

XO - Files

I was busy staring at the bottom of my coffee cup trying to figure out how it got to be so empty when the phone screamed out and broke my concentration. JO2 Scully managed to grab it before it stopped ringing. She listened for a second then gave a quick thank you and hung up. "XO's office and you better get right over there, sir," she responded to my questioning gaze.

I was out the door before I could finish buttoning my Navy trenchcoat. I stumbled into the writer's office a minute later. CTA3 "Watchbill" Williams looked up from her copy of Modern Bride's magazine. "Can I help you sir?" she asked politely.

"XO called for me," I responded.

"He is in with Lt. Kelly, sir."

"How long ago did he go in?" I asked, fearing a lengthy wait while our legal beagle expounded upon some tiny detail hidden in the back pages of a voluminous judicial tome.

"Just a minute ago, sir," she responded, confirming my fear.

I slumped into one of the 'on deck' chairs and was preparing to "hurry up and wait" when Lt. Kelly burst out of the XO's office. I looked at my watch in shock, counting the time before I got to the office, our cunning counselor had only been in the XO's office two minutes.

"That was quick," I remarked.

He looked at me puzzled for several seconds before responding with a noncommittal shrug and dashing from the office. I was pondering this unusual response when a familiar voice yelled "Mulder, get in here!"

"You called boss?" I asked as I slunk into the room.

"This is the last time I am going to tell you, no more requests for TAD to Rota. You got that?"

"Yes sir," I mumbled half-heartedly.

"Now get out of here so I can disapprove some chits!"

I doubletimed it out of the office before the next bullet could be fired my way. By the time I got back to the bureau my brain was in overdrive. Something about Lt. Kelly had stuck in my melon. He never missed an opportunity to gab, but he had just set a personal speed record for an in and out with the XO, and he failed to respond when I prompted him for conversation. This needed some looking into. JO2 Scully had just finished a report on the Arts and Crafts Fair, so I asked her to come with me to the advocate's office.

LN1 Thies was busy kneeling on his prayer rug so we snuck by him into Lt. Kelly's office. The big barrister was kicked back watching JAG, his favorite TV show. He quickly turned it off and stood up.

"Can I help you?" he asked as a friendly smile crossed his face.

"Just a social visit," I responded. "How's things going?"

"Fine."

"Anything new coming up?"

"No."

"Any new jokes?"

It looked as if a light bulb was flashing inside his skull, but after a short delay he again responded with an abrupt no.

"Well I can see you're awfully busy so I guess we had better go."

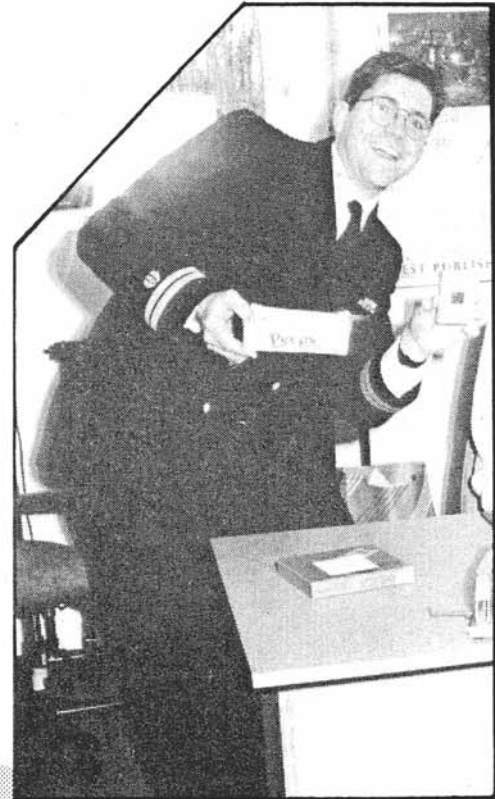
"Goodbye."

As we left the office I kept replaying the scene in my mind. Lt Kelly missing an opportunity to tell a joke. Lt Kelly failing to impart a gem of wisdom on a near captive audience. Something about this silent solicitor raised my hackles. I had to see if Scully was on the same wavelength.

"Did you see that Scully?"

"See what, sir?"

"They changed him, just like they changed Lt Hummer."



"Who are they?"

"They, are the people who want you to think that's just a water tower next to the Public Works office."

"What do you mean that's not a water tower?"

"Think about it Scully, I'll see you back at the Bureau. I've got to talk to the XO."

I had left Scully and was trudging towards the Admin building when a jeep screeched to a halt directly in front of me. Two marines in camouflage and dark sun glasses leapt out.

"Can I help you?" I inquired.

"No Sir!" they barked as they grabbed me.

"Hey what's going on here? What are you doing?" I asked.

"Orders Sir!" they bellowed in thunderous marinespeak.

I didn't know what they were up to and I wasn't eager to find out so I started singing the Marine Corps Hymn. My escorts quickly popped to attention in that uniquely rigid Marine Corps way and started singing along. I ran to the admin building before they finished and dashed into the XO's office.

"XO, something is wrong with Lt. Kelly," I blurted out.

"Yeah, he's a lawyer," the XO responded.

"No something besides that."

"Well file a report and I'll look at it."

I started to respond, but the XO was giving me his patented 'I eat junior officer's for breakfast look' so I gave my aye, aye sir and beat a retreat. I sent my report in, but will continue to investigate the latest subject of the XO files.



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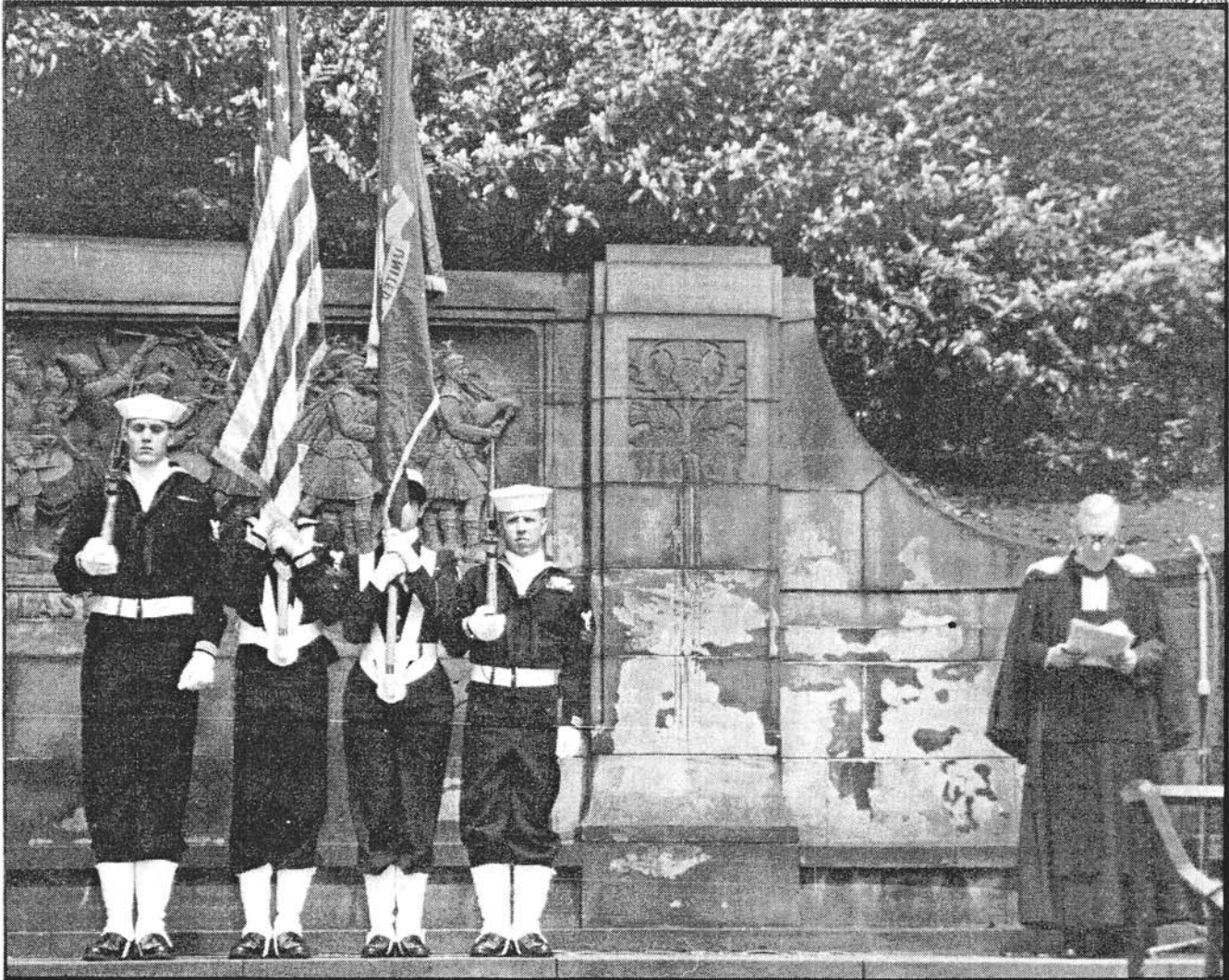
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- 06 - John Paul Jones' Birthday
- 20 - Moon Day
- 28 - World War I Began (1914)

August

NATIONAL WATER QUALITY MONTH

- 13 - Family Day
- 14 - V-J Day
- 22 - Dental Corps Birthday
- 26 - Women's Equality Day



September

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



- 02 - Labor Day
- 05 - E4 advancement exam
- 10 - E5 advancement exam
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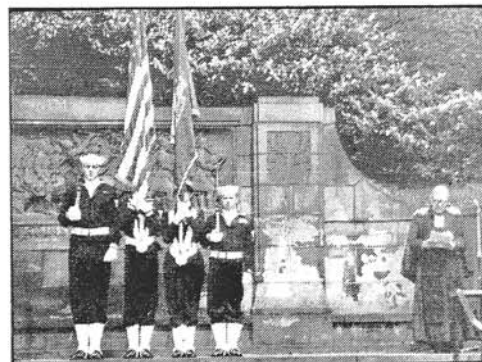
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NSGA EDZELL RESPONDS

by ETI John Brull

NSGA Edzell's 1996 fund raising goal for the Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) was \$14,000. In the beginning, some people were skeptical as to whether or not NSGA Edzell could achieve it. With the base population drastically reduced and the goal only \$1,000 less than last year, it's not unusual to see why they were. What they didn't take into account was the big hearts of the Sailors, Marines and their families. This year's fund raising committee, headed by BUCS White and MSC Brown, worked hard to make that goal, and through a

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



Looks like she lost her bid!

monumental effort, they surpassed it.

Inspired by the knowledge that this charity wasn't for someone else but for the benefit of themselves and their shipmates, the committee came up with

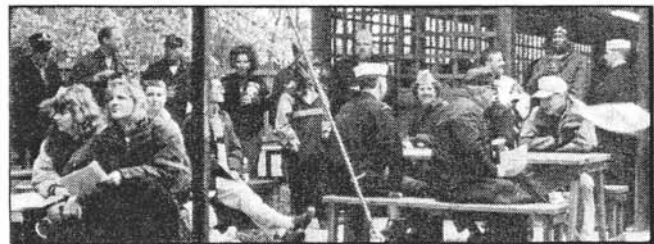
some ingenious fund raising ideas.

Bagging at the commissary and a shopping spree raffle proved to be good money makers, but the event which collected the most money (aside from the NMCRS Allotment forms) was NSGA Edzell's 2nd annual NMCRS Auction.

An afternoon was set aside for the whole command to come out and enjoy a BBQ and auction. The Officer, Chief, and E1-E6 communities were asked to donate a service or item for the auction, and they came through with flying colors. Other items on the auction block came from local shop owners and companies who generously gave to help the American charity out. After CDR Drake welcomed everyone, he officially opened the 1996 NMCRS Auction.

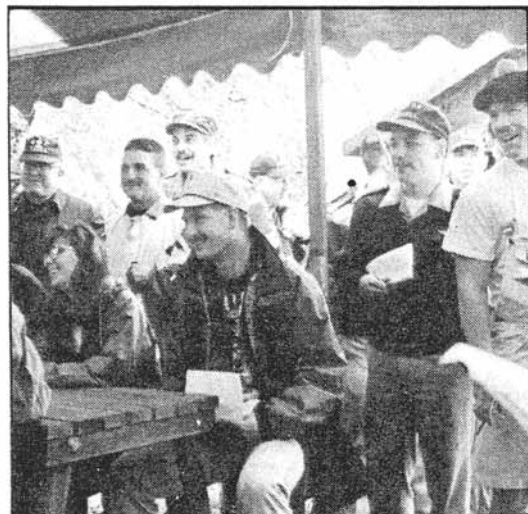
CTMCM Mike "Auctionman" Sparks presided over the proceedings and from the onset it was clear this would be a fun and feverish afternoon.

Three and four day liberties, first class train tickets to anywhere in Scotland, gourmet meals for two, four, six, and eight people, and many other services and items went on the Auction block. Sometimes people were so wrapped up in bidding they bid more than what the item was worth, which CTMCM Sparks humorously pointed out. At the end of the day the receipts totalled over \$5,200! This, added to what was already collected, put NSGA Edzell over the top. As BUCS White said, "We made goal and then just a wee bit." With only 469 personnel on board, the command raised \$18,233.80. A hearty thanks to all who made the 1996 NMCRS Fund drive a success.



Photography by PH2 Rollman

A good crowd showed up for the auction.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

CTMCM Sparks kept the crowd smiling.

Memorial Day Observance

by JO2 Melanie Barnett and Stewart McLaren

Representatives from NSGA Edzell traveled to Edinburgh to participate in a Memorial Day Ceremony. The ceremony was held at the Scottish-American War Memorial located in the center of the Prince's Street gardens. The U.S. Color Guard and the Scots Guard Ceremonial Unit marched in and proudly took position on either side of the monument. During the ceremony, CDR Ray layed a poppy wreath to honor the Scots and Americans who gave their lives defending the freedom we share today.

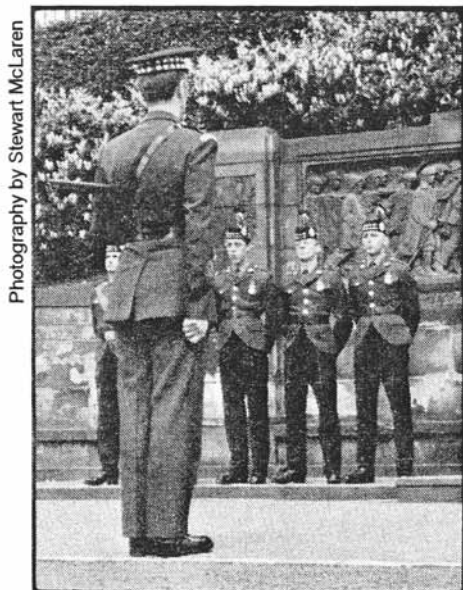


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The Scots Guard Band performed at the Memorial Day observance at the War Memorial in Edinburgh.

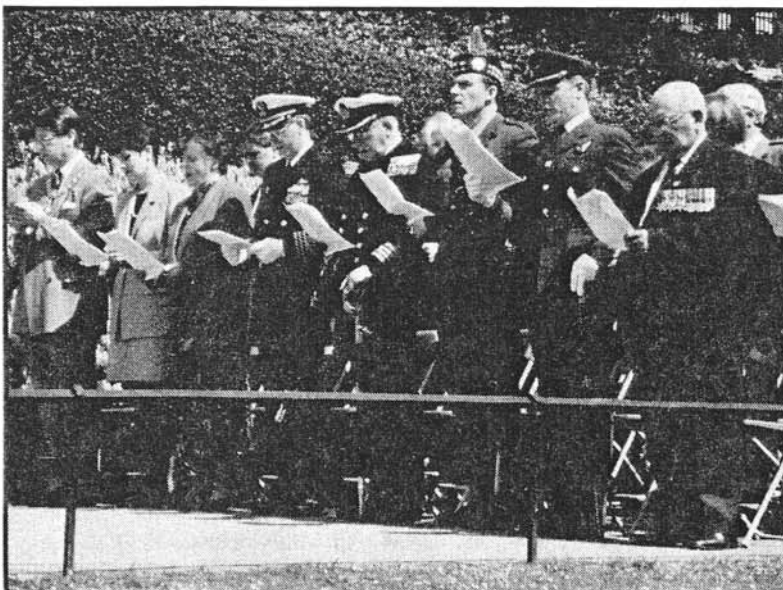
On the wall behind the memorial is an inscription that reads: "IF IT BE LIFE THAT WAITS I SHALL LIVE FOREVER UNCONQUERED. IF DEATH I SHALL DIE AT LAST STRONG IN MY PRIDE AND FREE."

The memorial was presented to Scotland, by U.S. citizens of Scottish descent to honor the memory of the men who fought and died during WWI.



Photography by Stewart McLaren

The Scots Guard ceremonial unit.



Photography by Stewart McLaren

CDR Ray and other VIP's participated in the ceremony.

NSGA Edzell Aids Belarussian Children

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The world's worst nuclear accident happened on April 26, 1986, at the Chernobyl nuclear power station. The station is located at the northern borders of Ukraine and the Republic of Belarus.

As the contaminated winds blew north, a considerable part of the Belarussian countryside, populated by 2.2 million people, was subjected to radioactivity of various density. Over 70 percent of the radioactive substances from Chernobyl fell on the population of Belarus.

Bel - Aid stands for "Scotland working for the Belarussian victims of Chernobyl." Each year 14 to 20 Belarussian children are invited to come to Scotland for 30 days. The living environment of these kids has been contaminated (the air, land, water, and livestock) by deadly radiation leakage from the Chernobyl nuclear reactor accident site. It has been estimated that every 30 days they spend out of Belarussia adds 2-3 years to their lives.

When the children arrive they are separated into groups of two and sent to stay with host families. The host families are American and British families who have volunteered to bring them into their homes.

CTRCM and Mrs. Holder, NCC and Mrs. Wojcik and Squadron Leader and Mrs. Bowen are the families who volunteered from the base.

To defray the cost of the trip and to provide necessary items for the children, Bel-Aid held fund-raisers. An auction and a summer fete raised enough money to pay for each child to travel to and from the UK. NCC Wojcik and ET1 Brull organized, planned, and collected the prizes for the Bel-Aid auction which raised over £4,000. CTRCM Holder was a big hit at the summer fete as "Go Lucky" the clown.

The organizers have set up a schedule for the kids while they are here that includes dental exams and dental work, eye exams and glasses, and medical exams and prescriptions. Clothes, medical supplies, candy, BBQ's, camping trips, ceilidhs, castle tours, and many other events are packed into the 30 days they spend in Scotland. Additional money has been set aside to buy new shoes for the kids. The organization also helps out an institute in Belarussia for children who are so sick that they can't make a trip like this.

Another organization called the "Chernobyl Children Life Line," provides similar assistance to the Belarussian population. Members of the base community donated a total of £218.75 during a recent fund-raiser to this organization.

CPO Spouse Club to the Rescue

by ET1 John Brull

Edinburgh Direct Aid (EDA), a Scottish charity, put out an appeal for help in raising £2,000 for an industrial washing machine and physiotherapy equipment for two orphanages in Sarajevo. When NSGA Edzell's CPO Spouse Club heard of EDA's appeal they immediately decided to try and help them. During the month of April they sold sloppy joes, meat ball sandwiches, tacos, and over 1,500 lumpia. They had some help from the CPOA, who held a softball tournament to raise money, the teen center sold popcorn, and

different organizations on base provided monetary donations.

The fruit of their labors proved to be very sweet indeed as the CPO Spouse Club raised over £2,300. Mrs. Lynn Sparks, who spearheaded the fund-raiser, pointed out this was a joint effort by the CPO Spouse Club and the generous support of the American and British populations on base. Commander Ray, presented the check for £2,325 to Ms. Irene Gillies of EDA on the 19th of June.

1996 Inter-Centre Track and Field Championships

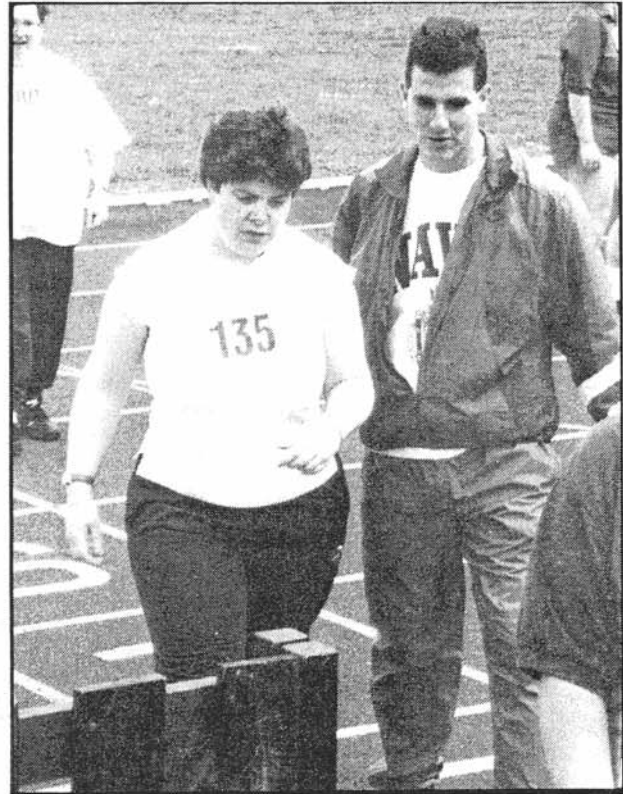
Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Members of the NSGA Edzell community recently volunteered to act as "helpers" and "buddies" at the 1996 Inter-Centre Track and Field Championships. The Championships were held on June 13, at Caird Park Stadium in Dundee.

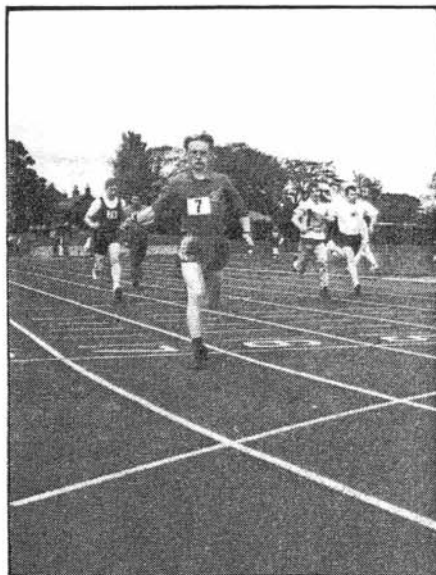
Over 150 athletes from eight centers competed in the days events. Organizers provided tea, coffee pasteries and sandwiches to the volunteers and participants throughout the day. The day's activities included individual and team events that ranged from the high jump to the 100 meter hurdles. The competition was stiff, especially during the Tug-of-War event. An award was even presented to the center with the best team spirit.

CDR Ray and Squadron Leader Bowen presented medals to the first, second and third place winners of various events. The winners of the day moved on to compete in the Scottish Championships.

The day brought out the best in everyone; including the volunteers.



CTM2 Darren Smith helps one of the participants prepare for her next event.



(photo left) The competition was tough and although not everyone took first place, all were winners. (photo above) Over 150 athletes competed in a variety of track and field events. The events varied from individual to team. The teams and individuals competed in several running events, including the 100 meter relay to the 400 meter run.

CPOA CLEANS UP EDZELL

by ET1 John Brull

CTOCM Willis was walking his dog one day when he noticed the sidewalk was cluttered with overhanging brush and debris. He brought the state of the area surrounding the base up at the next CPOA meeting and the chiefs decided to set the example and clean the area up.

On Tuesday, 11 June, at 0800 they commenced Operation 'Beautify.' In groups of two, 20 chiefs patrolled the Longstrath and Denstrath roads picking up garbage and debris. Each pair was assigned a half mile stretch of road. Drainage ditches were cleared and cleaned, logs and brush were taken away to clear sidewalks, and bags of trash and garbage were collected.

The four and a half miles of country roads they cleaned produced two and a half truck loads of trash, garbage, logs and brush. The sidewalk from the Denstrath View road to the Quarry road, popular with base walkers and joggers, was cleared. Six road signs found in the grass and ditches, were returned to the local council. Master Chief Willis says the CPOA challenges the Acey Duecy Association to do better next time.

Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett



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(photo top left) Command Master Chief, CTRCM Patton and CTTC Conner discuss trash collection etiquette. (bottom left) BUCS White and EOC Turner dragged small fallen trees and other debris out of the ditches beside Denstrath. (above) CTICS Heaton cleans the area just outside the main gate.

Clinic Renovations



by LT Michael Wright and JO2 Melanie Barnett

A guiding principal of NSGA Edzell's Branch Medical Clinic is ensuring patients are provided with the level of care they are entitled to. Two years ago, renovation plans for the clinic were designed with this principal in mind. The plans were patterned after patient requests and suggestions from members of the medical staff. The innovative techniques used to plan the renovations have increased the quality of medical care and provided a safer workplace.

With the completion of clinic renovations, the community saw quite a few changes. Among the most noticeable changes are the larger, more private laboratory, and the new patient waiting area away from the front desk and patient check-in area.

During the renovation process, the clinic staff spent many extra off duty hours moving equipment from one

place to another so patients could be seen with minimal delays. The staff worked many weekends, standing fire and security watches, so construction work could continue.

The Branch Medical Clinic continues to provide quality outpatient medical services. The renovation of the clinic is just one positive improvement that positively affects both patient and clinic staff.

Recently, the clinic has shifted its focus. The new focus is on safeguarding the high quality health care, presently available to the community, during the base-wide downsizing transition. By increasing community interaction with British health care providers and the National Health Care System, and providing information and training on wellness and preventive medicine, the clinic staff hopes to familiarize and prepare community members for upcoming closures.

The clinic has already received positive comments from the community concerning the changes. Most of the comments center around being able to find places within the clinic a little easier. The staff appreciates all comments and encourages future comments and suggestions.



COMPANY "B" DEPARTS

by MSgt T. R. Canavan

Company Bravo, Marine Support Battalion, Edzell, Scotland, a part of the NSGA Edzell community since 1963, held their closure ceremony at Edzell on June 3, 1996. LtCol S.C. Robb, the Battalion Commander; CDR Phil D. Ray; CDR B.L. Drake; the Honorable Mrs. Bing and her husband Mr. Bing, MAJ D. Clough, Company Bravo Commander from 1973 to 1976; and family members and friends of Company "B" gathered in the base gymnasium to bid a fond farewell to Company "B."

After trooping the colors and the invocation, MAJ Tyson ordered the Company guide to retire the guide-on. The guide-on was then marched to the side of the Company, signifying that Company "B" no longer has need of its standard (no longer needs the Company flag). This was immediately followed by an order to "deliver the Color." MSgt T.R. Canavan, 1st Sgt, marched to the Color Guard and received the Marine Corps Color from the Color Bearer. The Color was given to Maj Tyson, who then presented it to LtCol Robb. The handing of the Color signified the closure of Company Bravo as an active Marine Unit. The Color Guard retired the National Ensign and the ceremony ended.

Since there is no immediate intention to relocate Company "B," all of their memorabilia will be packed out to Headquarters, Marine Support Battalion, in Ft Meade, MD. Company Bravo memorabilia will stay there until Company "B" is once again an active Company of the Marine Support Battalion.

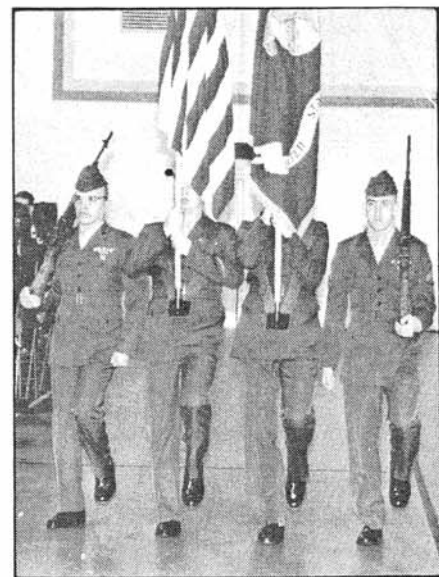
A reception was held at the Ships Inn, following the ceremony.

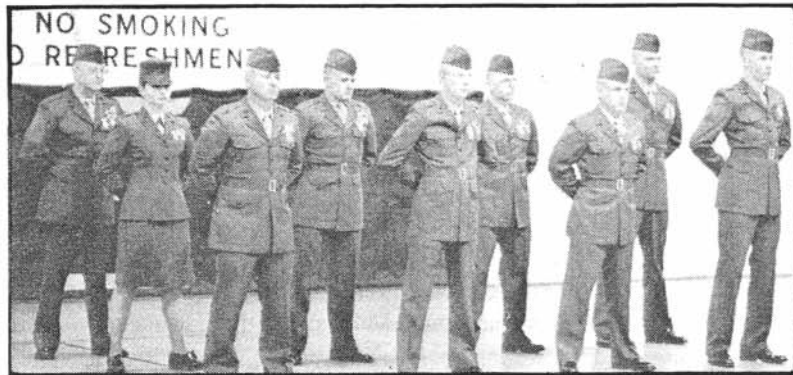


MSgt Canavan received the Marine Corps Color from the Color Bearer. The Color was given to Maj Tyson, who presented it to LtCol Robb.



(photo above) Company "B" gathered in the gym to say goodbye. (right) After trooping the colors and the invocation, Maj Tyson, retired the guide on.





(above photo) The Marines of Company "B" stood tall and proud as the Commanding Officer of Marine Support Battalion, LtCol Robb, received the Marine Corps Colors from Maj Tyson. (right) A reception was held at the Ships Inn following the ceremony. The Marines of Company Bravo would like to thank all guests for their support.

*Photography by CTT1
Dennis Erwin*



The handing of the Color signified the closure of Company Bravo as an active Marine Unit. Company "B" memorabilia will be shipped to HQ, Marine Support Battalion until Company "B" is once again active.

...In With The New

by CE3 David Bell

Members of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 40, (the Fighting 40) arrived on June 4, beginning our deployment at NSGA Edzell. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the members of our detachment. NMCB 40 is led by CECS(SCW) Pine. The other members of our detachment are BUI(SCW) Koch, AOIC; CM2 Baker, transportation; CE3 Bell, CRT/MLO; UT3 Baumgartner, safety/hazmat; BU3 Redmond, crew leader. The crewmembers are SW3 Cook, CE3 Butler, BUCN Billiot, and UTCN Conary.

We are here to complete the on going project of BEQ rehabilitation, OIC discretionary projects and to close out the Seabee compound. While at Edzell, the troops of Fighting 40, will close an important chapter in Edzell history. We are here until the end of September, thus ending the long relationship between the Seabees and the base.

We are looking forward to our stay in Scotland. We have already had the opportunity to visit Glamis and Donnottar Castle, and see the World Football League Championships.

If you see us around the barracks, working or anywhere around the base, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and get to know us. Remember, we are here for you!

Congratulations Class of '96

Story and photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The American School in Aberdeen's class of 1996, held Commencement Exercises on June 1, at the base theater. This was the first time the ceremony has been held at NSGA Edzell, and it was the last graduating class from the American School in Aberdeen. Next year the school will be renamed and relocated.

The ceremony was a combination of American and Scottish traditions. Most stateside graduates hear the traditional graduation march during the processional. CTMCS Gordon Kinnie piped in the graduates from the American School. After they were seated, Chaplain Hubbard gave an invocation and Dr. Robert Morrison greeted the graduates and their guests.

Salutatorian, Chris Mattocks, and David Brandt, Valedictorian, addressed the graduates, families, and friends. The audience listened intently to both individuals, who spoke of future prospects. Some highlights of the ceremony, other than awarding the diplomas, were two video presentations. The first presentation provided a video history of each graduate; the second was a tribute to the school. The distribution of special awards and scholarships were also among the highlights of the ceremony.

This event marked an end to over a decade of hard work, and the start of a bright future full of challenges.



The ASA Class of 1996



ASA Graduates

*David Alan Brandt
Monica Ann Brewster
Jennifer Louise Drake
Ellen Sue Eickholt
Jacob Marshall England
Christopher Ryan Mattocks
Jason Paul Mattocks
Jeremy David McAlpine
Nicholas Stephen Palubinski*

(photo left) Monica Brewster led the graduates as they marched toward a bright future, and a reception at the Ship's Inn.

University of Maryland Honors Edzell Students

by Robyn Ridgway

As NSGA Edzell's field representative for the University of Maryland the past three years, I have observed a variety of education services and education centers. In spite of our isolation at Edzell we have some of the best opportunities to pursue academics available to us. This is, for the most part, due to a great support team as well as a determined student body. The command training staff seems to stand by in order to provide the logistics needed to make this program so successful. Furthermore, those in the administration warmly receive requests, even those presented at the last-minute. The

adult student faces many challenges. Students usually have to juggle the priorities of a job, demands of a family, and a commitment to school. We at RAF Edzell are fortunate to have among us several who have met these challenges and succeeded. The University of Maryland proudly recognized 25 students from Edzell at a reception on June 14. Dr. Paul Brewer, director of student services, joined us at the celebration as well as Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Spoor, faculty members at Edzell when the program began in 1967.

Students receiving academic degrees during the 1995-96 school-year were:

Mrs. Monica Bosque	CTA2 Shelley Lebel
SSgt James Brown III	Mrs. Betty Matthews
ETCS Mark Chambers	Ms. Marla Montevaldo
Mr. John Chaney	Mrs. Regina Pardun
Sgt Joe Cunningham	Mrs. Sandra Seid
CTT1 Jerry Darvell	CTM2 Darren Smith
Mrs. Debra Holder	

The following students were recognized for being within a few classes of completing bachelor degree requirements:

Mrs. Janet Eickholt	CTM1 Barrie Glazebrook
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Several students were honored for their academic achievements:

<i>Scholarship recipients</i>	Mrs. Jennifer Gantert
Mrs. Monica Bosque	Mrs. Stacey Henninger

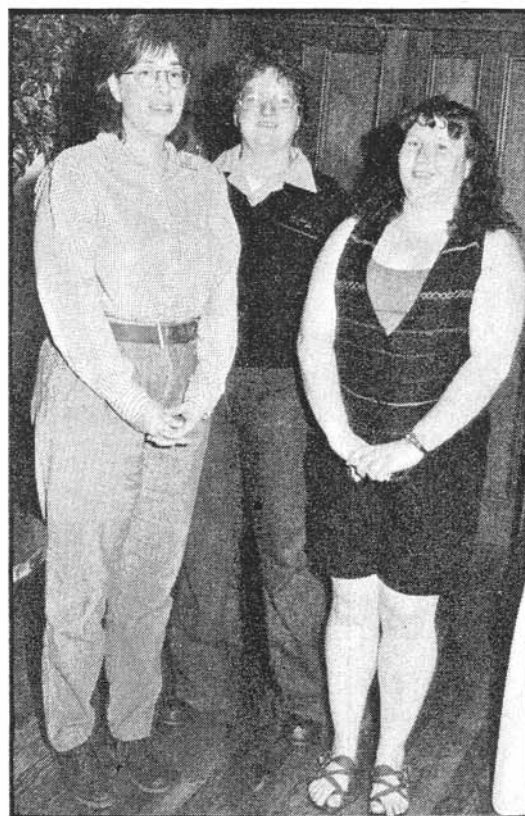
The Deans List of Honor Students

CTR1 Eddie Batchelor	Mrs. Regina Pardun
CTM1 Tim Cleary	CTM1 Scott Schubring
CTR1 Dan Guy	CTRC Theresa Servais
Ssgt James Huffer	CTM2 Jason Wertz
Mrs. Jeanie Mcpherson	

It was also noted that the current alumni present were Mr. Tom Eisinger and Mr. Doug Stenzel.

Finally Mr. Tom Eisinger, history instructor, was presented an award by Dr. Brewer for his outstanding service at Edzell for the past three years.

Congratulations Edzell students!



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

The University of Maryland proudly recognized students from Edzell at a reception on June 14.

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s

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Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

(L-R) CTO3 Kevin Cournoyer, CTR1 Glenn Spencer, CTM1 John Garlock, CTR1 Uvon Lockhart, CTT1 Chris Shipp, CTT1 David Colon, LT Michelle Karsch, MS1 Walter Ullman.

Good Conduct



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(L-R) CTM1 William Alford, CTR3 Randall Moyer, CTM3 William Snead, CTM2 Valerie Hartman, CTR2 Andrea Blain.

Sailor of the Quarter/NEY Award

(L-R) RPSN Victor Colon; MS2 Tony Bennett, accepting the Ney Award Honorable Mention for a Medium Shore Facility for the Galley.



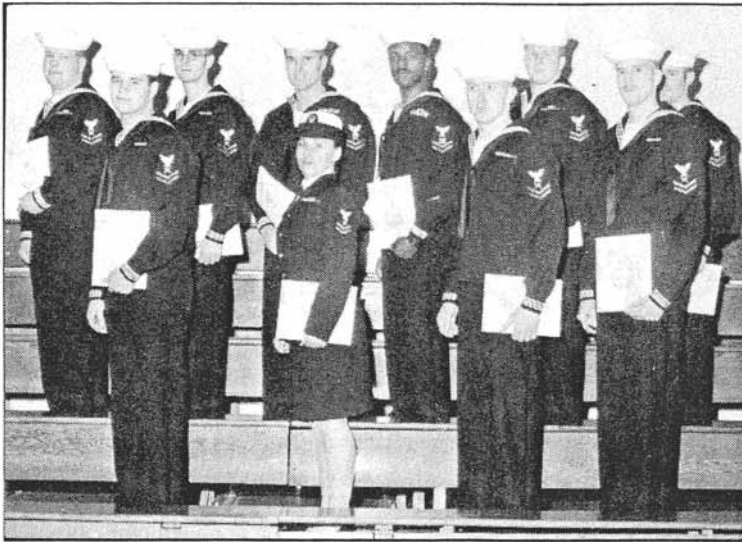
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Petty Officer First Class Promotions



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Petty Officer Second Class Promotions

Petty Officer Third Class Promotions



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Officer Promotions

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LTJG Paul Haslam stood proudly as he received his promotion.



Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

LTJG Eve Marhafer received her "bars" from Royal Navy Commander, LCDR Healey.

Reenlistments This Month

During the month of May, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended.

by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton



- CTT1 David Colon
- CTR1 Artmeisha Beidleman
- CTT1 Andrew Gray
- CTT1 Laura Gray
- RP1 Michael Petty
- CTT1 Frederick Rogers
- CTR1 Glenn Spencer
- CTT2 Anthony Browning
- CTT2 Aaron Fleet
- CTR2 Steven McDonald
- CTR3 Joseph Leonard

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*



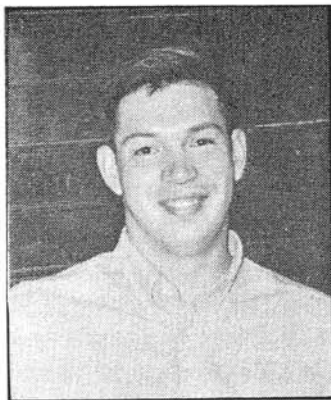
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CTT1's Laura and AJ Gray receive congratulations from CDR Drake on their reenlistment.

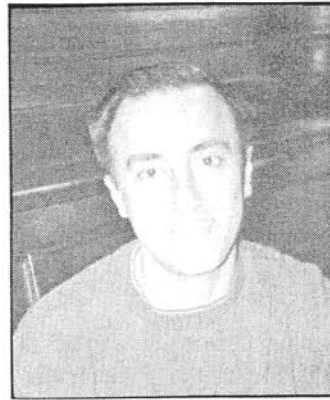
Edzell Expressions

Question of the Month: How many fleets are there in the U.S. Navy?

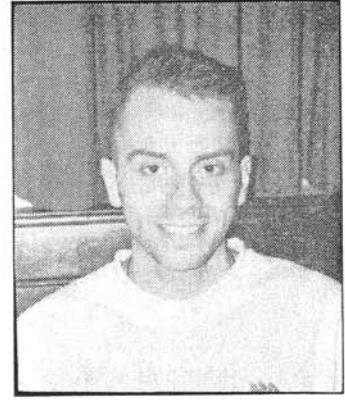
by JO2 Melanie Barnett



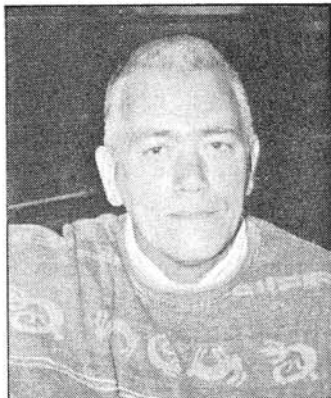
*CTT3 James Whitten
"7 Fleets"*



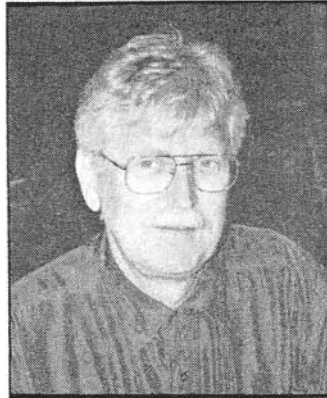
*SGT Rick Woodhouse
(Canada)
"A lot more than the
Canadian Navy; but we have
beer on our ships."*



*CTR3 Phil Navone
"Five Fleets. 2nd, 3rd, 5th,
6th, and 7th."*



*Kjell Klausen (Norway)
"Five."*



*WO/MCPO H. A. Hartman
(The Netherlands)
"7 Fleets."*



*CTRCS Gordon Kinnie
"Five. 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th,
and 7th."*

Answer: Five. The 2nd (Atlantic), 3rd (Pacific), 5th (Persian Gulf), 6th (Mediterranean), and the 7th (Pacific Far East).

OWL's Perch

“The End of the Runway”

The Sailors of Naval Security Group Support Detachment Four operate and maintain two state-of-the-art mobile communications research systems. This requires an in depth knowledge of such diverse technical and mechanical skills as: 40 ton tractor-trailer operations, diesel generator operations, basic electricity, hydraulics operations, radio wave propagation, signal multiplexing, ionospheric sounding techniques, and basic firearms use. The system is designed to be completely self sustained for operations under the most arduous conditions and in the most severe climates.

The detachment reports to the Commanding Officer, Naval Information Warfare Activity, Captain Joseph T. Daly III, USN, located in Washington D. C. The Officer in Charge, NSGSD Four, is Lieutenant Michele A. Daley-Ryan, USN.

Although a very young organization, the Sailors of the Naval Security Group Support Detachment Four have accomplished much and enjoy an outstanding reputation for professionalism and excellence in their field.

Navy Achievement Medal: CTM2 Yourcheck

Good Conduct (1st award): CTR2 Malinowski, CTM2 Cooper & CTR3 Bailey

Good Conduct (2nd award): CTO2 Zuern, CTM2 Yourcheck, & CTM2 Charmley

Expert Pistol Shot Award: CTRL1 Watson, CTR2 Malinowski & CTR3 Mobley

NSGSD Four Sailor of the Quarter (1st qtr): CTRL1 Friday

Welcome Aboard: CTM2 Brooks & Family

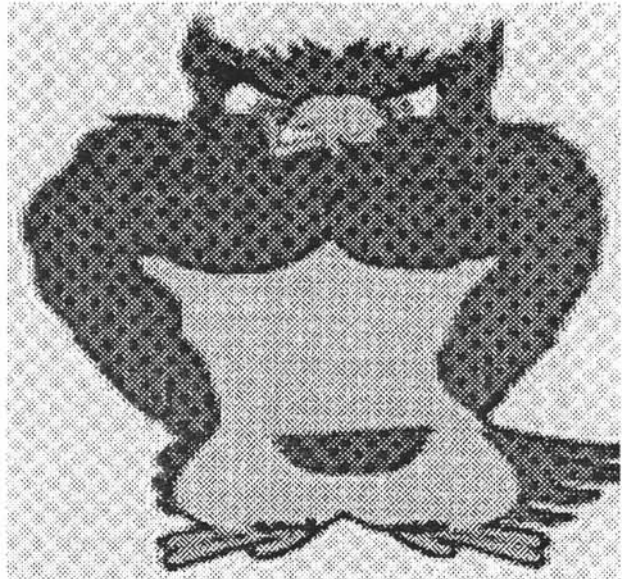
Farewell: CTRL1 Taylor & Family (Det 2), CTM2 Yourcheck & Family (NIWA), & CTR3 Bell (Det 2)

Frockings: CTRL1 (sel) Horn & CTA1 (sel) Fojtik

Reenlistments: CTRL1 Taylor, CTM2 Yourcheck, & CTR2 Malinowski

PRT Results: 14 out of 20 Outstanding

New Addition: Tim & Jill Horsley “It’s a girl!” Rebecca Shae, born 11 June 96



Expecting: Tom & Mary Charmley “Congratulations!”

The moving of a detachment from one host base to another is a complex and complicated process. There are numerous logistical obstacles that must be faced and overcome. Supply channels must be properly established, equipment must be removed, transported, and then reinstalled, all furniture and supplies must be relocated to the new facility, and all security safeguards must be met during the entire process.

One of the most challenging jobs is the relocation of the two CLASSIC OWL systems via C-5 airlift. The first week of this difficult operation is “prep week.” It is during this time that all tractors and trailers are meticulously checked and rechecked for any problems that may impede the smooth operation of the airlift. The trailers must be loaded properly to ensure correct weight distribution and balance requirements are met.

Once all of the preparations are complete, the systems will be driven to the airfield for loading onto the C-5’s. This loading process is one which requires a great deal of patience on the part of detachment personnel. Backing a tractor-trailer onto a C-5 requires precision driving—tolerances are less than 12 inches on either side of the trailer.

Although the entire evolution will be long and tedious, it will not be impossible. Similar challenges have been met in the past. All that is necessary is dedication and teamwork. These are qualities which are not foreign to the CT’s at Det Four. In fact, these are qualities which are displayed in the everyday operations of the detachment. Detachment personnel therefore have good reason to be proud to say that they are part of NSGSD Four, at the end of the runway.



Classic Owl on deployment.

Classic Owl Personnel

*LT Michele Daley-Ryan * LT Thomas Ertel * CW03 Paul Smith (ret) * CTRCS Philip Stamps * CTMC Richard Ogden * CTRC Donald Brewer * CTRC William Perry * CTMC Christopher Chumbley * CTM1 Mark Stokes (ret) * CTR1 Richard Myers * CTR1 Brett Thompson * CTR1 Charles Weaver (dis) * CTR1 James Shaffer * CTA1 Wayne Wessenburg * CTM1 William Blank * CTR1 Doris Bishop * CTR1 Joseph Friday * CTM1 Timothy Horsley * CTR1 Timothy Bishop * CTR1 Jon Taylor * CTR1 Kemmerly Watson * CTR1 Danial Stephens * CTR1 Sally Horn * CTA1 Jennifer Fojtik * CTR2 Douglas Borgmeyer * CTR2 Willard Zintel * CTR2 Paul Robertson CTR2 David Nelson * CT02 Heath Zuern * CTM2 Mark Yourcheck * CTM2 Thomas Charmley * CTR2 John Bryan * CTM2 Darrel King (dis) * CTR2 William Rushing (dis) * CTR2 Forrest Leamon * CTM2 Richard Brooks * CTR2 Michael Malinowski * CTM2 Ricky Pottebaum * CTM2 Brian Wesloski * CTM2 Danny Cooper * CTR2 Jonathan Coss * CTR2 Shawn Whitman * CTR3 Keith Bell * CTR3 Michelle Katchke (dis) * CTR3 Janice Barlog (dis) * CTR3 Shawn McGough (dis) * CTR3 Graig Bailey * CTR3 Jeb Mobley*

ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL

by Yvonne Cant

The twelfth and thirteenth centuries were momentous times in the history of England. Out of them came The Crusades, King Richard, the wicked Prince John, the evil Sheriff of Nottingham, and, of course, the legendary Robin Hood.

Deep in the medieval woods of Nottinghamshire the legend of Robin Hood was born, an outlaw who, with his merry men, fought against corruption and injustice, helping the ordinary folk resist the evil works of the Sheriff of Nottingham. The true identity of this famous outlaw remains a mystery. Was he Robin of Loxley, the Saxon yeoman, or Robin the dispossessed "Earl of Huntingdon?" Whoever he was, Robin Hood and his Merry Men have been hailed over the years as the upholders of justice and a symbol of good against evil. Stories of his exploits have thrilled generations through the ballads of wandering minstrels and lately, through swash-buckling action movies.

Nottingham lies some 350 miles to the south. Catch the A-1 at Edinburgh to Newark, then the A-614 to Nottingham. There are lots of places to stay in and around the city. The telephone number of the Tourist Information center is (01159) 470661 and is located at 1-4 Smithy Row, Nottingham NG1 2BY.

The Robin Hood Festival takes place at the Sherwood Forest Visitor Center new Edwinstow, Nottinghamshire from July 29 until August 4. The festival features jousting, jesting, medieval merriment and archery displays. Sherwood Forest is situated on the B-6034 north of the village of Edwinstow, between the A-6075 and the A-616, 20 miles north of Nottingham.



Annual Chapel Picnic

by Chaplain Hubbard

The Chapel of Faith congregation gathered at the Hideaway on Sunday, May 19, for the Annual Chapel Picnic. Despite the rain, good food, fellowship and fun were experienced by all. Norma and her crew provided a steady stream of hamburgers and hotdogs to the hungry crowd. The congregation augmented the menu with a tasty selection of side dishes.



Following the more than ample meal, everyone gathered under the trees to participate in a variety of events. Each event was enthusiastically coordinated by SGT Cheryl Crosby and Brian Hering. Chaplain Hubbard got the wet end of a balloon toss against Father Hummer.

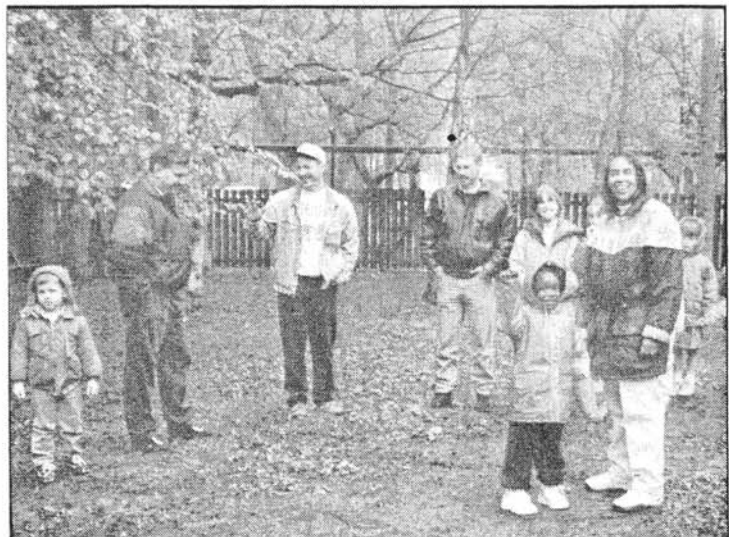
At the end of the day, Bill George had observed ,

“Two of the last three Chapel Picnics were sunny. Two out of three ain’t bad!”

Not in baseball, and, I guess, not in Scotland.

(photo left) Chaplain Hubbard enjoyed visiting with the congregation. (bottom left) The congregation enjoyed a delicious variety of food. (below) The outdoor activities were enjoyed by the adults and the children.

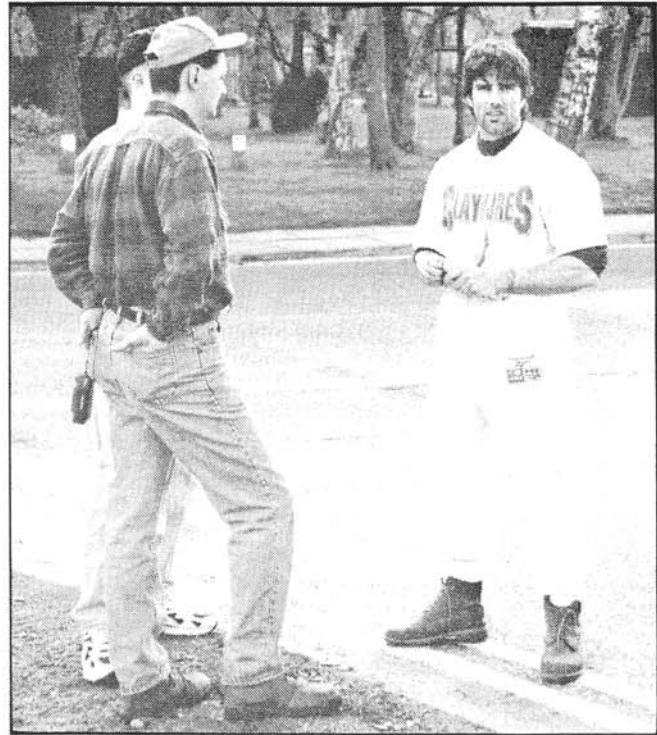
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Edzell's Entertainment *Claymores Visit NSGA Edzell*

*Story and photography by JO2
Melanie Barnett*

A few representatives from the World League of American Football Champions, the Scottish Claymores, recently paid a visit to NSGA Edzell. Four cheerleaders and one of the team members spent an afternoon with the community. The representatives answered questions, signed autographs and gave away



memorabilia at the Wheelhouse.

The cheerleaders gave two dance performances for the crowd. A few volunteers even got the opportunity to learn some of the dance routines. After a few quick lessons the volunteers were judged by the audience on their new abilities.

D.A.R.E.

Graduation A Success!

by JO2 Melanie Barnett/EW2 Larry Bartlett

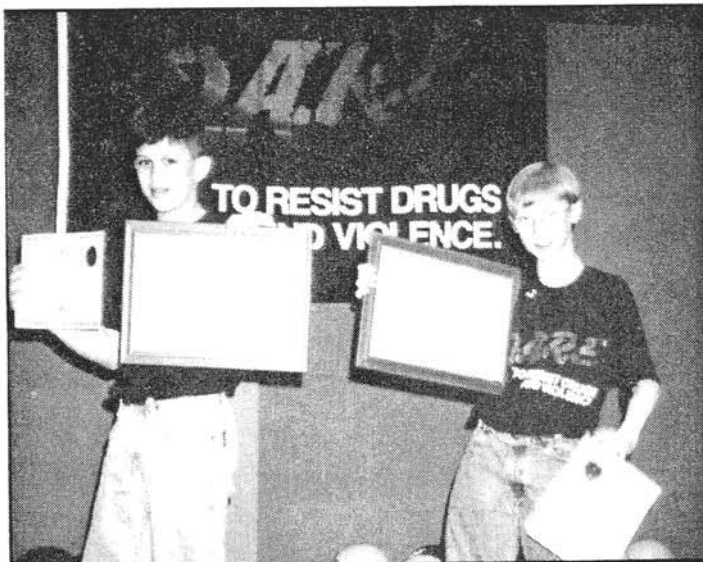
The 5th Grade class at Halsey School recently shared a special event with members of the NSGA Community. May 30, the students graduated from the 17 week D.A.R.E program. Parents, teachers, and fellow students gathered in the gymnasium to share the event with participants.

The graduation was exciting for participants and members of the audience. The graduates performed skits designed to give them an opportunity to use and demonstrate techniques learned in class. EW2 Larry Bartlett (Officer Bartlett), the D.A.R.E. instructor, said, "One of the lessons, during the course, identified eight 'ways to say no.' By giving students the opportunity to use this information they are more likely to retain it. Through participation in role playing skits, each student is offered the opportunity to experience a situation involving drug pushers. The students were able to use the knowledge and I was positive the information was retained."

The students were required to participate in class and write an essay in order to graduate from the program, said Bartlett. "The essays were personal commitments, by the students, to stay drug free," he added. Three students were selected to share their commitments with the audience at graduation.

CDR Drake, the guest speaker, spoke of the positive impact the D.A.R.E. program has had on today's youth. His comments reinforced the command's support of the program. He congratulated the graduates on their achievements and challenged them to live up to their commitments.

Each student received a Certificate of Achievement, a D.A.R.E. graduate pin and a certificate of Graduation. Everyone was invited to attend a reception following the ceremony where guests congratulated the 5th graders on reaching this milestone.



(photo L-R) Scott Turner and Daniel Mateik proudly display their certificates.

BOY SCOUTS AWARD CEREMONY

Story and photography by Patti Hinrichs

RAF Edzell Pack 585 held a graduation for 26 Cub Scouts on May 31. Their families and friends were all invited to attend the event. The graduation was exciting for the Scouts because several awards and patches were handed out. The awards included over 100 patches, sports belt loops/pins/letters, the Arrow of Life and numerous other awards. Five very excited Tiger Cubs graduated into the Cub Scouts. They each received a tiger cub patch, a graduation certificate, a Wolf Book and a Tiger Cub Handi-light. The Wolf Den earned a one year service star for Cub Scouting and a Bear book. The Bear Den earned a service star and a Webelos book. First year Webelos earned a service star and a "Good Turn Token."

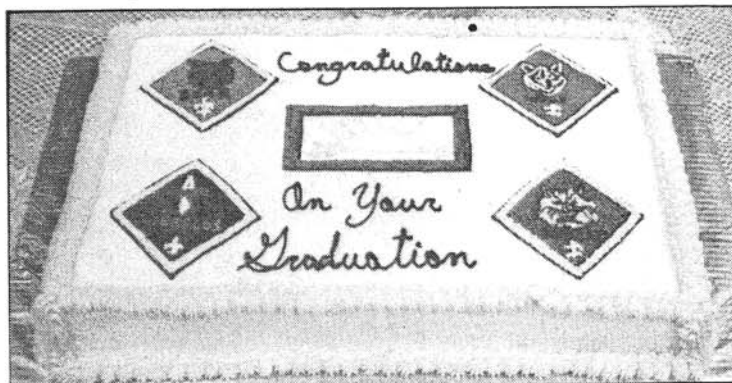
L. Bosque, T. Haft, C. Wegner, and S. Turner, all second year Webelos, earned a service star, a Pack graduation certificate, a Boy Scouting Book and an Edzell Neckerchief. These four individuals crossed the bridge from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts. Pack 585 would like to wish the boys the best of luck and challenge each of them to continue to do their best!

Some of the numerous highlights of the year are the Base Wide Clean up, the CPOA Food Drive, the Blue & Gold Banquet, the Bowl-a-thon, the Scottish & American Pine Wood Derby, the Dundee "Zap Zone," the Aberdeen North Start Hockey game and the Webelos camp out. It has been a very successful and exciting year and congratulations go out to each of the Cub Scouts, Leaders and Volunteers. We would like to say a special thanks to Mike Goerling, John Garlock, Mike Petty, Stan Kennedy, and Greg and Patricia Tyson, who are leaving us.

This summer the boys will be working on getting skating and fishing belt loops, participating in the 4th of July, and the Scottish & American Olympics. The Scouts must attend three activities to earn a Summertime Activity patch. If any boys are interested in joining the Cub Scouts please contact, Jim or Pat Hinrichs, at 647-190.



Several awards and patches were given out at the Cub Scout graduation ceremony.



(photos above and left) Pack 585 at a recent graduation ceremony.

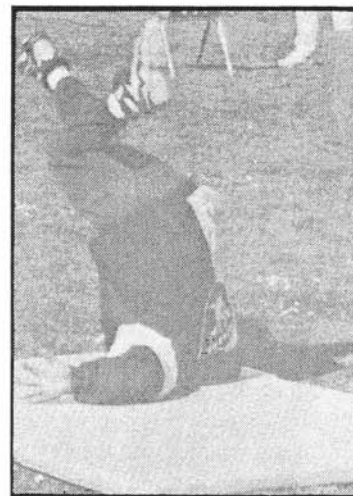
Halsey Highland Games

Story and photography by
CTTI Laura Gray

Enthusiasm abounded at the 23rd annual Halsey Highland Games. Organized by Mr. Vettese and Mary Ann Harris, students from grades K-8 participated in a variety of events, including; the obstacle course, tattie race, caber toss, crazy race, Chieftan's carry, tug-o-war and kilt race.

Students were required to step through hoops, crawl under a chair, jump a barrier, somersault on a gym mat and touch a frisbee to their head before tagging the next member of their team when competing in the obstacle course. For the tattie race, the children put a ball between their knees and raced between two points. The caber toss involved passing a caber along a line of students, with the last person in the line "tossing" the caber as far as they could. When running the crazy race, the students passed a variety of items in a relay race, adding an item every time a different person ran. The Chieftan's carry consisted of two children carrying a third child in a fireman's rescue carry. They ran with the child up a short course, around a traffic cone and back to the start. Running the kilt race consisted of donning four articles of apparel, running a set distance, removing the four articles and tagging the next person in the relay. The last event was the tug-o-war and was attended with as much enthusiasm as the first event.

After the games were over, the Parent Teacher Organization provided a barbecue of hamburgers, hotdogs, salad, chips and a refreshing cold drink.



When competing in the Obstacle Course Race, it was necessary to somersault across a gym mat.



(above) The Chief's carry consisted of two children carrying a third child in a fireman's rescue carry. (right) The last event was the tug-o-war and was attended with as much enthusiasm as the first event.



(above) When running the crazy race, the students passed a variety of items in a relay race, adding an item every time a different person ran.



Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

by Jeannie Sexton

Because the Halsey School staff is so outstanding, the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) sponsored a Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week, held June 3 - 7.

Monday the Student Council delivered apple baskets to every member of the faculty. A salad and dessert luncheon was provided on Tuesday. The special treat on Wednesday was cake and coffee. On Thursday, some of the students delivered bouquets of flowers. A sweet ending to the week was an Ice Cream Social after school on Friday.

Volunteers worked throughout the week and provided tasty dishes and serving as lunchroom and playground monitors.

(right) Apple baskets were delivered to every member of the faculty during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week.



Photography by CTT1Dennis Erwin



RM Condor Sports Day

by CTM2 Darren Smith

How would an American Basketball team do at the 1996 Condor Sports Day? DOMINATION! This years sports day at Condor Royal Marine Base was a huge success. RAF Edzell personnel were out in full force and competed in 10 events ranging from a swim relay to the grueling Iron Man. Our basketball team consisting of SGT Rawls, SGT Crosby, CTM2 Hoskin, CTA3 Gorka, and CTO5N Evans swept the competition with crushing 53-16 and 61-19 victories. Festivities began at 0900 with an introduction of the teams participating and a brief description of each event.

How would an American Soccer team at The 1996 Condor Sports Day? Well... Football, as soccer is known by our British counterparts, was another highlight of the day. We performed well but came away empty handed. Andy Blain scored our goals in the 1-3 and 2-4 losses.

Rounding out the day was a BBQ and the presentation of trophies. Most of the trophies went to the Royal Marines, but we enjoyed the competition and comraderie.



In the Mud

by LT Sean G. McLaren

Edzell's tug team switches to high gear this month with the Royal Tournament at Earl's Court. Military teams from all over Great Britain will be competing in this prestigious event. The team has been practicing five times a week, and is looking forward to this intense four day competition.

Last month the team competed at the Bearsden Highland games, the Brechin Pageant, and the House of Lords vs House of Commons Charity Pull. The toughest competition was at the Bearsden games where the team finished a respectable fifth. The Brechin Pageant and House of Lords vs House of Commons pull were fun events. At the Brechin Pageant our team dominated the field, beating local pub, fire brigade, and territorial army teams. At the House of Lords we weren't allowed to tug against any Members of Parliament so we devastated a team from HMS Collingwood instead.

The next major event after Earl's Court is the Royal Braemar Games in September. Two of the lighter team members, "Heavy Javy" Medina and "Sideshow Bob" Wern, transfer in July so we need a few more pullers. If you're interested contact DPC Wright at ext. 2700 or come on out and join us in the mud.



Photography by Stewart McLaren

Tug Team competing in the Bearsden Highland games. (L-R) Sam Jinks, Clyde Turner, Sean McLaren, Dan Greenbaum

Softball Season Standings

As of July 1

	W	L	GB	Runs for	Runs against
C/O's	2	0	-	43	21
20/32	2	1	1/2	30	25
35	1	1	1	29	26
Women	0	2	2	17	47
AF*	0	0	1		
65*	0	1	1 1/2	Forfeit vs 20/32	

* AF and 65 forfeited their game against each other, this game is not reflected in the standings



XO - Files

My morning gallon of coffee hadn't kicked in yet when the door to the agency flew open. I lifted my head despite the strong desire to ignore whoever it was. A dazed and confused HM2 Raniowski stumbled through my door.

"You aren't getting any more blood!" I yelled.

"No sir, it's not about that," he replied.

"Well you're not getting another poke at me, I'm up to date on physicals!"

"It's not that either, sir."

"Well my mind reading isn't as good as it used to be!"

"It's about Medical, sir, they . . ."

"THEY who?"

Raniowski started to continue, but the phone began screaming. As I grabbed for the phone, he bolted out the door. "Hey wait!" I yelled after him. I dashed to the door, but the cryptic corpsman was nowhere in sight. I ran back and answered the phone with a cheery, "LT Mulder, Bureau of Public Affairs, what the heck do you want?" Whoever it was didn't appreciate my cheerfulness because they hung up.

Now if there is one thing that sets my mind on fire more than something mysterious, it's something mysterious that THEY are involved in. THEY want us to believe that uniforms anyone can tell are black are actually some shade of blue. THEY want us to believe that calling polyester Certified Navy Twill somehow makes it fashionable. THEY are involved in everything, but no one knows who THEY are. Now THEY were messing around with Medical, I had to check this out.

JO2 Scully was out of the office so I left a message for her to meet me at the Branch Medical Clinic. As I was walking a peculiar car caught my eye. This brown primer beauty was streaking along at the speed of a hamster in full trot. I'd seen this odd auto before, now if I could remember where.

By the time I got to the doc shop it hit me. The conspicuous clunker was in the parking lot by Medical. My brain switched into overdrive and some puzzle pieces shifted into place. The driver of this venerable vehicle had to be hip deep in whatever funny business Medical was involved in.

Scully had just finished a report on the renovations at Medical, so I wandered in thinking to use the pretext of a follow up report. I was two steps inside when I saw CDR Hogendorf. She was working on some macrame while talking to

someone at the reception desk.

"Quitting smoking is easy," she was saying, "I've quit five times already." I was going to talk to her when a voice shouted "last four" at me. My Navy reflexes took over and I blurted out the last digits of my social. My medical record was thrust into my hands and I was rushed into a room. I heard someone ask "Do we need his DNA?" and another voice answer "No, it's already on file." What! THEY have my DNA! THEY can do all kinds of things with that, like ... well I don't what, but they can do all kinds of things.

Before I could protest I was rushed into another room where a corpsman was waiting. "Ah, next victim," said HM2 "Hacker" Hill. "Looks like you need two shots, sir."

"Well I'll take scotch and bourbon," I replied.

"I meant this kind of shot, sir," he said, holding up a needle.

Needles are one of my favorite things; right behind midwatches and the words, "XO wants to see you right now."

"Are you an expert with that?" I asked, fearing the worst.

"I do this every day, sir."

"That's not what I asked."

His only response was an evil grin.

Two quick sticks later and I was out in a hallway. HM3 "Tugman" Schaich was standing there practicing his body building poses. "You done, sir," he asked. I mumbled something as I rubbed my sore arms. "Hey sir, I know some great exercises for your arms. I've also got this great cumquat and coconut diet, it'll build your arms up. Come see me when you're done and I'll hook you up. Just go in here for now."

I stumbled into the next room and fell into a seat. HM2 "K-Mart" Matthews was kicked back across from me jamming to the latest Primus CD. "Can I have your arm please, sir?" he asked. I reluctantly stuck it out.

"Have you done this before?"

"I lack many years of inexperience, sir" he replied.

I was still trying to figure that one out when he hit me with the vampire stick and sucked out a vial of blood. Despite the blood loss I was able to lurch to my feet and stagger into the hallway. I had to make it out of this place before something else happened.

I heard Scully's voice ask if LT Mulder was here. I zeroed in on her voice and beelined towards it. She was standing at the reception desk.

"Scully, we've got to get back to the office."

"Sir, are you all right?"

"Lets get out of here."

We hit the door and were tromping back to the office, when I saw Raniowski. He looked startled when he saw me. He turned to hurry away. "Hey Raniowski, get over here," I yelled.

"What's up, sir?" he asked as he ambled over to us.

"What were you going to say back at my office earlier today?"

"I was just going to tell you that you needed to come by for Medical Review Week."

"That's all, nothing else?"

"That's it, sir."

Petty Officer Scully and I looked at each other, then I walked away. She said something to the doc then caught up with me.

"What was that about, sir?"

"THEY got to him Scully. He knew something and started to tell me, but THEY got to him first."

"Sir, is this the water tower THEY?"

"The same."

"We should go back to the office. We've got some fresh coffee, sir."

We walked the rest of the way in silence.

Back at the office I filed my report. My conclusion: THEY are out there, THEY know I'm looking for them and I need another cup of coffee!

Naval Institute Essay Contest

The U.S. Naval Institute recently announced a first ever essay contest exclusively for enlisted personnel. The contest is restricted to active duty, reserve, and retired enlisted personnel. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winner and First and Second Honorable mentions. September 1, 1996 is the deadline for submissions to the Naval Institute Enlisted Essay Contest.

Essay Contest Rules:

1. The contest may only be entered by enlisted personnel, but it is not restricted by service or country. No subject is too large or too small.
2. Essays must be original, must not exceed 2,500 words, and must not have been previously published. An exact word count must appear on the title page.
3. All entries should be directed to: Enlisted Essay Contest, U.S. Naval Institute, 118 Maryland Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21402-5035. With questions call (410)268-6110; Fax (410)269-7940.
4. Essays must be postmarked on or before September 1, 1996.
5. Letters notifying the three award winners will be mailed on or about November 1, 1996.
6. The name of the author shall not appear on the essay. Each author shall assign a motto in addition to a title to the essay. This motto must appear (a) on the title page of the essay in lieu of the author's name, along with the essay title, and (b) by itself on the outside of an accompanying sealed envelope containing the name, address, telephone number, social security number, and short biography of the essayist, the title of the essay, and the motto. The Naval Institute will not open this envelope until the Editorial Board has made its selections.
7. All essays must be typewritten, double-spaced, on paper approximately 8 and a half by 11. Submit two complete copies. If typed on a computer, please also submit an IBM-compatible disk and specify software used.
8. The Naval Institute Editorial Board will judge the competition.
9. Winning essays will be published in the February issue of Proceedings.

NMCRS 90 Second Dash

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

CTT1 Deborah Roche was the winner of the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society 90 - second shopping spree. Petty Officer Roche picked up a total of \$229.71 during the 90 second spree. She said it was a lot of fun and she enjoyed it because she hasn't won anything in a long time.





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Pistol Qualifications

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Security department at NSGA Edzell recently offered a .45 cal. pistol qualification course. Command members took advantage of the course and many earned ribbons. "Out of 80 overall class participants, 60 qualified," said GMG2 Mike Legan, the base armorer. The idea to offer classes for qualification came from MAC Campomizzi, Petty Officer Legan added.

Security personnel devoted countless hours organizing the project before anyone could begin the qualification program. "After we received command approval we had to review and revise a course outline. We called Condor and Berrybudon to coordinate range days. The next step was transportation and targets. The Public Works department donated the targets and provided transportation," said Petty Officer Legan.

Each student attended a two-day course. "The first day was spent in the classroom and helped establish the skills necessary to qualify. The second day was at the range where the students were given a few practice rounds before the actual qualification test," said Petty Officer Legan. After any new topic was discussed a safety brief was given. Petty Officer Legan said, "Safety was stressed in the classroom as well as the range to maintain a safe environment for everyone. The repetitiveness paid off because we had no safety discrepancies throughout the program."

The program was designed for a few reasons, the ammunition had to be disposed of prior to base closure and to boost morale during the downsizing evolution. One participant, CTT1 Laura Gray, said, "I thought it was great! I was pleased that the command offered the opportunity."



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



(photo above) Participants were given a practice round before the qualification test. This opportunity enable the students to become more familiar with the weapons. (photo below) NSGA Edzell Security personnel helped many command members earn a ribbon. (photo right) MAC Campomizzi stesses safety at the range.

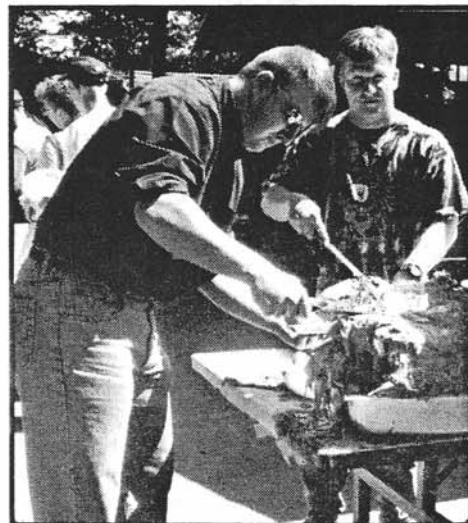


HOSPITAL CORPS BIRTHDAY

by HMC Wanda Cronin

On June 14, the Branch Medical Clinic Edzell celebrated the 98th Birthday of the Hospital Corps. For the past 98 years, the primary role of the Hospital Corpsman has been to "provide for the care of the sick and injured and prevention of disease and injury." Today's Hospital Corpsman is a far cry from the uneducated Loblolly Boy who carried the surgeon's instruments, served food and made crude preparations for treating the injured. Well educated and well trained, Hospital Corpsmen are a vital part of the Navy Medical Department.

From the very beginning of the Navy, it was found necessary to make provisions for the care of the sick and injured. An act of Congress, 1799 provided: "A convenient place shall be set apart for the sick and hurt men, to which they are to be removed, and some of the crew shall be appointed to attend them." In 1814, Navy Regulations referred to the "loblolly boy" who was to serve the surgeon and surgeon's mate. The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery was established in 1842 and from what can be determined, the surgeon's steward superseded the loblolly boy, the beginning of selection of specially qualified personnel. An order of the Navy Department dated December 8, 1866, redesignated surgeon's stewards to Apothecary. The Hospital Corps then came into existence as an organized unit of the Medical Department under the provisions of an act of Congress approved June 17, 1898. To this day, the Hospital Corps is the only enlisted corps in the Navy and their presence pervades every aspect of Navy Medicine. From Basic Hospital Corps School to complex technical training to independent duty, the Hospital Corpsman cares for the sick and injured during war and during peace. Though Hospital Corpsman have distinguished themselves during times of war, their role during "quiet" times is equally illustrious. They serve around the world in Navy hospitals, aboard ships and submarines, and with Marine Corps units of all Fleet Marine Forces. Often on duty independent of a medical officer, they bear the full



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(above) CTOSA Chris DeLouise assists HM3 Cory Schaich with the delicate deboning operation.

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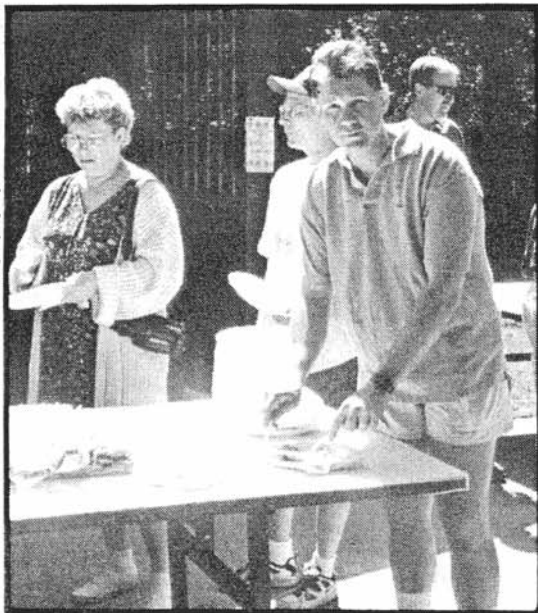
(above) The Command Master Chief joined the staff of the Branch Medical Clinic at the Hideaway for the birthday bash.

responsibility for medical care of their shipmates.

Regardless of where they are, the expression, especially in time of war, "Above and beyond the call of duty" is commonly heard. During World War I, 15 Hospital Corpsman were killed in action, 2 died of wounds, and 146 were wounded or gassed. There were 460 major awards including 2 Medals of Honor, 55 Navy Crosses, 31 Distinguished Service Medals, 2 U.S. Army Distinguished Service Medals, and 27 letters of commendation.

World War II further documents the unflinching valor of Hospital Corpsman with 820 major awards and citations (an honor of unique

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



(above) HM2 Bryan Matthews takes a moment, between bites, to pose for the "Tartan Log."

distinction since none of them bore arms). Other personal medals - the Navy Cross, the Silver Star, and the Bronze Star were awarded to hospital corpsmen by the tens and hundreds, almost too numerous to count. On February 22, 1945, on the summit of Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima, along with six marines, pharmacists mate John Bradley proudly participated in the raising of our flag, a scene reproduced thousands of times.

During the Korean War, five of the seven Medals of Honor conferred upon Navy personnel were bestowed upon Hospital Corpsmen. With the escalation of the Vietnam conflict, hospital corpsmen were called to serve in Southeast Asia. Hospital Corpsmen truly felt the brunt of the Vietnam conflict. Six hundred twenty were killed or mortally wounded and another 3,353 were wounded in action. Awards for gallantry and intrepidity in action included 3 Medals of Honor, 29 Navy Crosses, 127 Silver Stars, 2 Legions of Merit, 290 Bronze Stars, and 4,563 Purple Hearts.

Since the fall of Saigon in April 1975, Hospital Corpsmen continue to serve in the many "hot spots" around the world. Fifteen hospital corpsmen were killed when the Marine Barracks in Beirut, Lebanon was bombed and destroyed by terrorists. Hospital Corpsmen were present at sea and ashore when the U.S. took military action in Grenada. The Gulf War, U.N. Peacekeeping actions in Somalia, Haiti, and Bosnia have been and

continue to be supported by Hospital Corpsmen. Many hospital corpsmen are in Cuba to support our mission there and are ready to set up Fleet Hospitals anywhere in the world at a moment's notice.

Each year, Hospital Corpsmen around the world celebrate the Hospital Corps birthday to remember those who have gone before us and to uphold our tradition of service with honor, the sacred care of the sick and injured and the continued trust of our shipmates to be there when they need us. We, at Branch Medical Clinic Edzell, hold this trust as our personal privilege.

NSGA Edzell's 3rd Annual

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 6, 1996

6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at Halsey School

Activities include:

Poster Competition
Police Dog Demonstration
Ident-a-kid Program
Crime Prevention Caravan
Music
5K Fun Run

Free Hot Dogs, Sodas and Helium Balloons.

Trophies will be presented to winners of the fun run.

DEACTIVATION CEREMONY

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

In November of 1980, the first two U.S. Army soldiers reported to NSGA Edzell for a temporary duty assignment (TDY). After a period of 180 days these soldiers were replaced by two other soldiers. These TDY's continued until 1985 when soldiers were permanently assigned at Edzell under the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade, Intelligence Security Command.

In 1988, the Army Detachment became known as the True Blue Detachment Edzell, Scotland, "C" Company, under the 743D Military Intelligence Battalion.

On July 15, the Detachment held a deactivation ceremony. CDR Ray presented LTC John Custer, Battalion Commander, a plaque to thank the Detachment for 16 years of dedicated service to NSGA Edzell.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

(photo above left) LTC John Custer addresses the crowd at the deactivation ceremony. (photo above right) LTC Custer individually thanks members of the Detachment for their dedicated service. (photo right) Members of the Army Detachment and friends at the recent deactivation ceremony. (front row)(from left) SFC Charles Foxwell, SSGT Lawrence Hoke, SGT Marti Powers, SGT Earnell Miller, and SGT Raymond Kline.



Air Force Corner

Farewell NSGA Edzell

by MSgt Corina Benitez

PROMOTIONS

Photography by TSgt John Huskins



(above)(from left) TSgt Bob Benitez, TSgt Corina Benitez, TSgt Dan Greenbaum, and TSgt Tim Finn.

As Spring tried to make its arrival last month, many Air Force members were thinking back to the beginning of the year. The units E-5's and E-6's were hitting the books, in preparation for upcoming promotion tests. (Members of the Air Force are required to take the Promotion Fitness Examination and if available a Career Specialty Knowledge examination.) Each test contains 100 questions which must be answered in a 90 minute period. The number of correctly answered questions on each test are compiled with other values such as decorations points, time in grade, time in service and enlisted rating points to give the member a numerical score. Based on the career specialty needs a cut off score is established. All those with a number equaling or higher than the cut off will be promoted within the next 12 months. The following individuals were selected for promotion to E-7 (Master Sergeant).

TSgt Bob Benitez
TSgt Corina Benitez
TSgt Tim Finn
TSgt Dan Greenbaum
TSgt Shannon Richardson

SSgt James Richardson was selected for promotion to E-6 (Technical Sergeant). On July 29 results of the E-5 promotion tests will be released. Congratulations to all those who made it, or will soon find out!

Photography by TSgt John Huskins



CHANGE OF COMMAND

On July 1, the 17 Space Surveillance Squadron (17 SPSS) ended its small but significant part in Air Force history. The 17 SPSS was deactivated and then reactivated as Operating Location A (OL-A) of the 5th Space Surveillance Squadron. The ceremony was performed by Lt Col Weiford, 21st Space Wing operations group commander. The command of the unit was turned over to Maj Russell Smith. He will watch over the continuation of operations until the mission and unit merge together with its sister unit down in England.

(photo left) The Deactivation/Reactivation Ceremony was performed by LtCol Weiford. The command of the new unit was turned over to Maj Russel Smith.

PIG ROAST AND FAREWELLS

The first day of summer arrived on June 21. Unfortunately it did not bring the long awaited, warm sunny temperatures, but it did bring the Air Force's biggest farewell bash. At dawn's first light a pig was placed in the roasting pit at the Hideaway by Capt Mork and TSgt Paul Malkmus. It was then carefully rotated all day by TSgt Bob Benitez. Later on a commanders call was held and the following individuals were awarded end of tour medals. It may seem strange to some to receive an end of tour medal while at the assigned location but Capt Mork, commander of Det 5, 18IS firmly believes in the "pin em where ya win em" philosophy.

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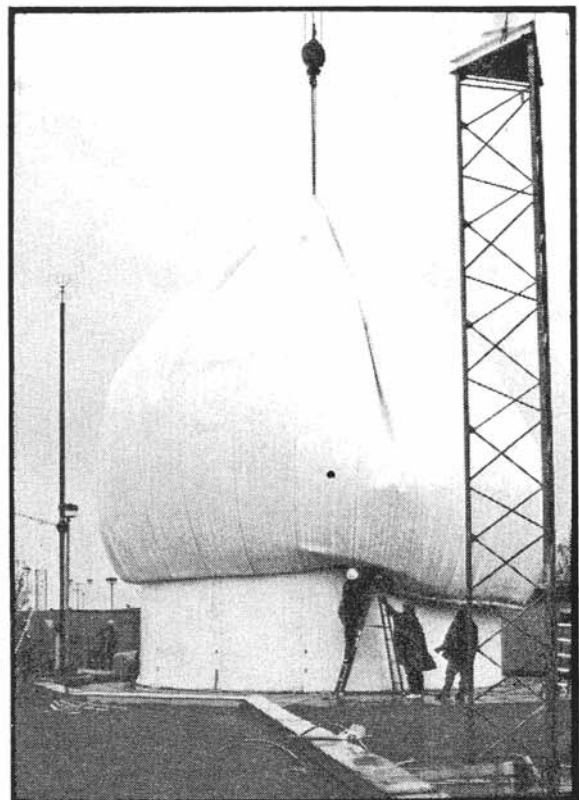
AS TIME GOES BY...

As the days of 1996 go ticking away, the closure is becoming more and more evident. The base already seems smaller as personnel leave in clusters and the commissary down sizes available items. These changes are somewhat subtle compared to the disappearance of two big "golf balls" the Air Force took down. For a few weeks, this seemed to be the hot topic of our local friends who drove by base and noticed them missing. They had become a part of the Langstrath landscape and their removal was a sad sign of things to come. However, as many of the other aspects of our daily lives, they shall become a fond and distant memory, not only for our Scottish friends, but for all who have been stationed here before us. As a writer for the Tartan Log, I feel lucky that I can say a personnel good-bye to the people who have made this a fantastic place to be. This is my last article at RAF Edzell. I will never forget the kindness shown by the people of Scotland, that truly made this home for us. Thank you for being you!

After a quick change and some time to relax, "the pig was done and the fun begun." The following personnel were traditionally farewelled, being given the going way quaich and site photo: TSgt Tim Finn and family
TSgt Martha Beebee and family
MSgt Richard Lehti and family
Lt Col and Mrs Strathearn
TSgt Harry Harris and family
SSgt Chad Vargason
TSgt's Bob and Corina Benitez and family
SrA Steve Miller and family
SrA Annielaurie Hackeny
SrA Joe and Mrs Aquino

A band played into the late hours of the night and, despite all the names listed above, there are still many Air Force members stationed here.

(photo left) Awardees: (from left) TSgt Corina Benitez, Meritorious Service Medal; TSgt Tim Finn, Meritorious Service Medal; SSgt Chad Vargason, Air Force Achievement Medal; SrA Joe Aquino, Air Force Achievement Medal; TSgt Bob McManus, received a Meritorious Service Medal.



Photography by TSgt John Huskins

(above) The disappearance of two "golf balls" from the horizon was a sad sign of things to come.

NMCB "Fighting" 40

by CE3 David Bell

Greetings once again from NMCB 40. We are busy at work with the BEQ renovation and things are moving along quite smoothly. All aspects of base closure from our side is much better than expected. Our 45 day review is quickly upon us and our Commanding Officer, Commander Cellon; Operations Officer, Lieutenant Commander Maurer; and Command Master Chief (SCW) Murphy; along with Second Brigade will be here throughout the end of July and the beginning of August.

We enjoyed ourselves over the Fourth of July weekend and were very impressed with the carnival the base put on. We kept ourselves busy by competing in the softball tournament, tug of war contest, and even volunteering for the Navy Day Ball Committee by bartending for the DoD concert and the barn dance.

Our day of departure is rapidly approaching and we would like to thank everyone for being very kind and helping us out when ever we needed it. So on behalf of the Seabee Det of NMCB 40, I thank you.



NMCB 40 File Photo



NMCB 40 File Photo

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



(photo above) NMCB 40 at Dinnottar Castle. (back row)(from left) CECS(SCW) John Pine, CM2 Robert Baker, SW3 Chris Cook, CE3 David Bell, and CE3 Tom Butler. (front row)(from left) BUCN David Billiot, UT3 Brady Baumgartner, BU3 James Redmond, UTCN Dwayne Conary, and BU1(SCW) Jeff Koch. (below) On the job site. (back row)(from left) BU1 (SCW) Jeff Koch, UTCN Dwayne Conary, BUCN David Billiot, CE3 Tom Butler, BU3 James Redmond, and SW3 Chris Cook. (front) CECS(SCW) John Pine. (photo left) Members off fighting 40 at the Fourth of July festivities.

Chapel News

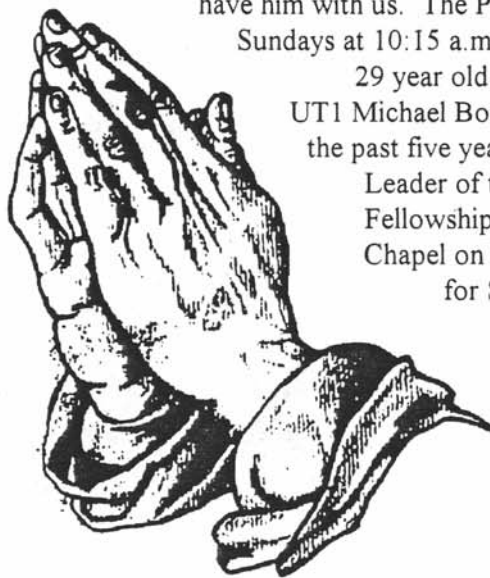
The Protestant congregations at RAF Edzell are now under new leadership. The regular liturgical Protestant congregation is under the pastoral care of the Rev. Fletcher Richardson. The Full Gospel Congregation is under the lay leadership of UT1 Michael Bonner.

The Rev. Fletcher Richardson is a "semi-retired" Methodist minister who was born in 1935 (Which makes him one of the few people on this base older than Fr. Hummer!). He was ordained for the Methodist Church in 1963.

He has had a wide range of pastoral experience, including hospital and university chaplaincies and has worked as a "sector minister" for the BBC for 18 years. He served with the RAF in Egypt from 1952-54.

Rev. Richardson is a talented and interesting preacher with a lively sense of humor. He has done a number of preaching tours for the

Methodist Church in the United States. He will lead the Protestant Congregation's Sunday worship on most Sundays until the base closes. He will also be available for Protestant religious counseling at the Chapel on most Tuesdays from 1000-1200. His participation in the Chapel activities will give needed continuity to the Protestant Chapel community till the base closes. We are happy to have him with us. The Protestant services are Sundays at 10:15 a.m.



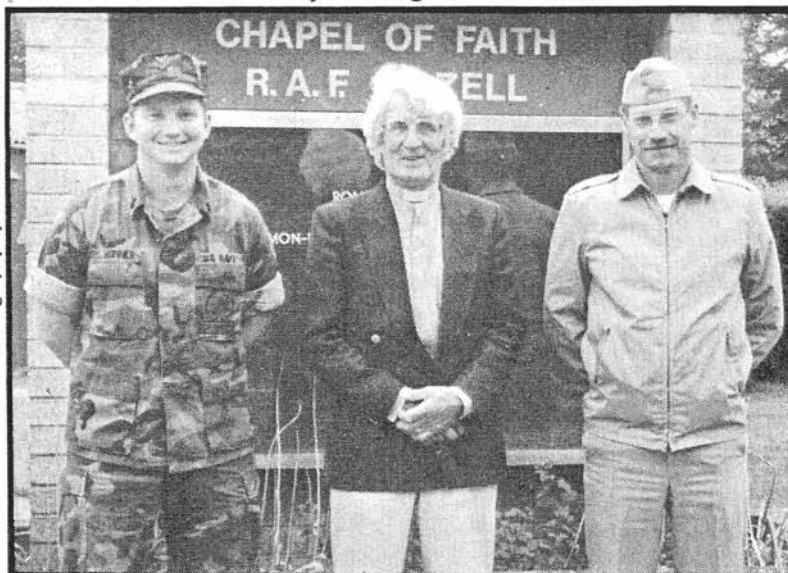
29 year old (ah glorious youth!!) UT1 Michael Bonner (on active duty for the past five years) has agreed to be Lay Leader of the Full Gospel Fellowship. They meet at the Chapel on Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

for Sunday School followed by the regular Sunday worship at 1:30. They also have a Friday night Bible study at 6:30 p.m. P.O. Bonner took over after Senior Chief James Slaughter left Edzell earlier than

expected for duties in England.

Finally, with the departure of RP1 Petty, that leaves RPSN Victor Colon as the only Chapel staff enlisted person. You may reach him at 2120 or leave a message on 2121. By and large he won't be here on Fridays.

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(above)(from left) UT1 Michael Bonner, Rev. Fletcher Richardson and ETCS Mark Chambers.



★ ★ ★ FOURTH OF JULY ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ EXTRAVAGANZA ★ ★ ★

*All photography by:
PH2 Carole Rollman, JO2 Melanie Barnett and CTR3 Rebecca Robbins*



...we saved the best for last!

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Fourth of July is a time for all Americans to celebrate the birth of our Nation. NSGA Edzell held a three day extravaganza beginning on July 4 at noon. Patrons enjoyed a carnival and a variety of concession booths. At 7:00 p.m. "Be Wires" a USO/DOD band performed for the base with a fireworks display beginning at 11:00 p.m. The Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy even stopped by to help celebrate.

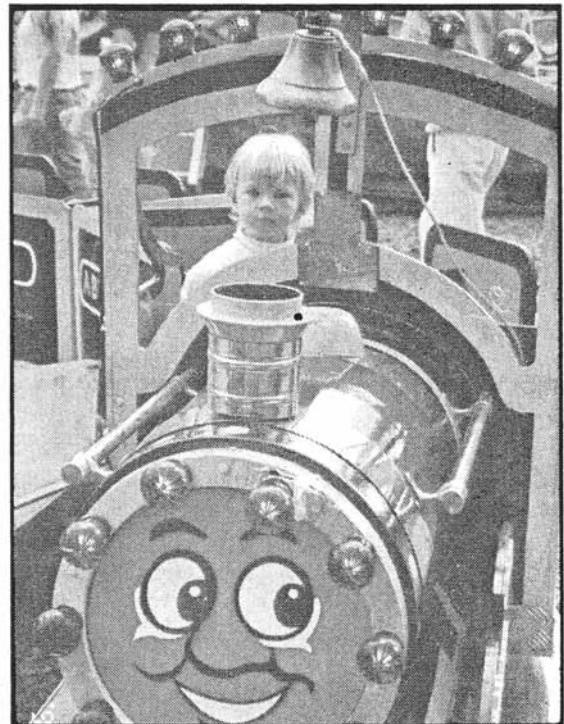
July 5th and 6th the base invited members of the local community to join the festivities. The carnival continued throughout both days. Several activities including a Barn Dance, featuring a popular local band "Low Places," free line dancing lessons by Susan White and another fireworks display were the highlights of Friday's entertainment.

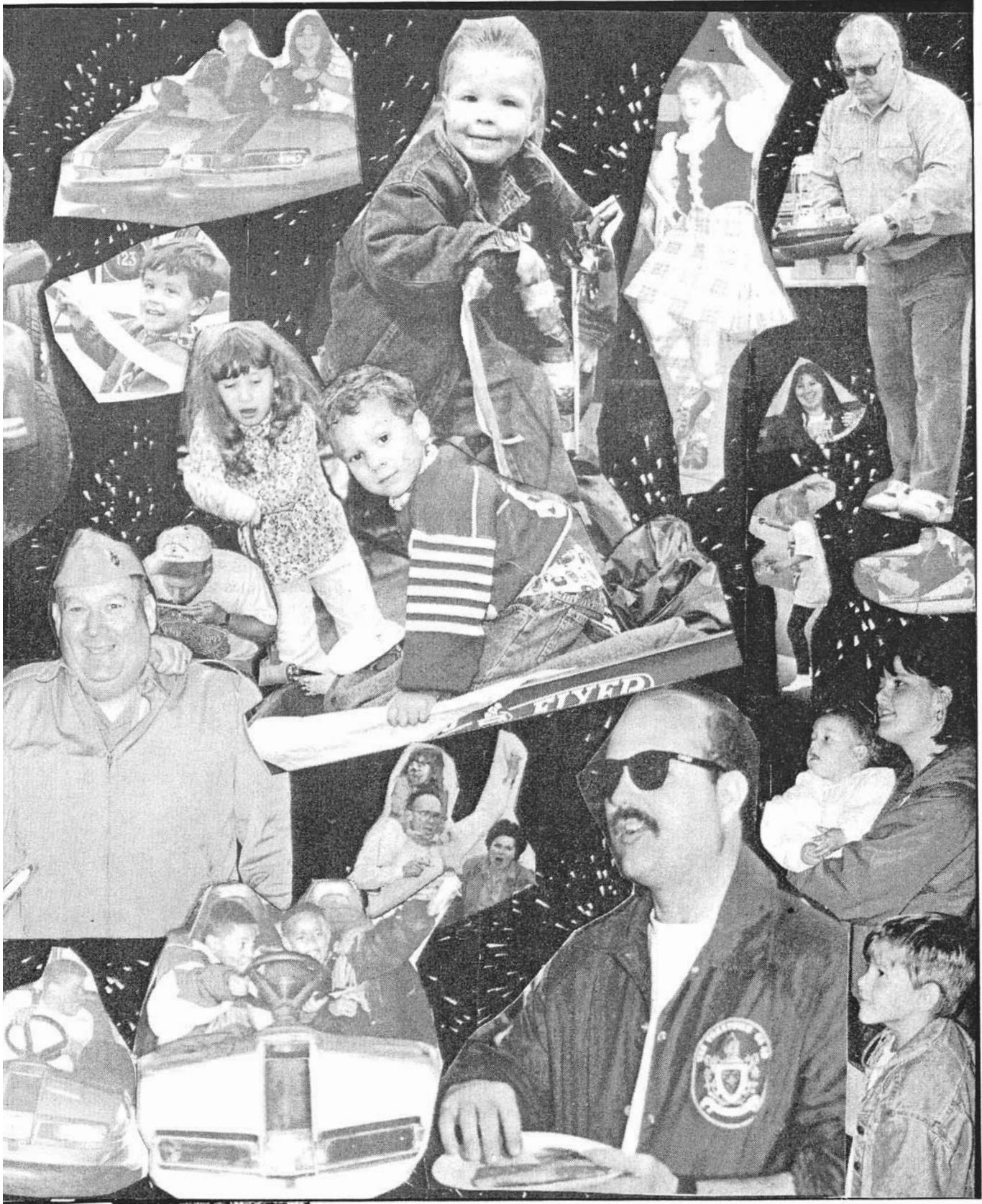
Saturday's festivities included an American Football game, a softball tournament, a classic car display, model plane and boat exhibitions, ski divers and plenty of children's activities.

The Fourth of July Extravaganza was a fantastic experience for everyone that participated. This year's celebration was the biggest, the best and the last Independence Day Celebration at NSGA Edzell.



(above) USO/DOD band "Be Wires." (photo right) The extravaganza was a fantastic experience for everyone that participated.





MCPON Celebrates with Edzell

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

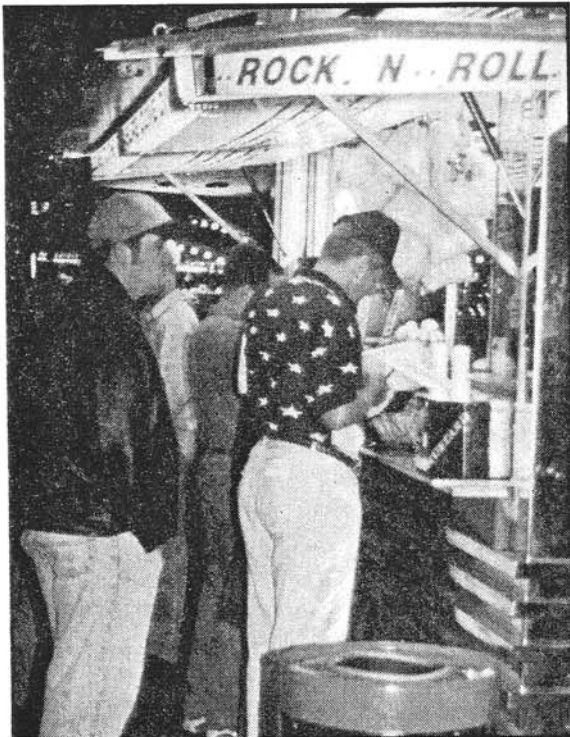
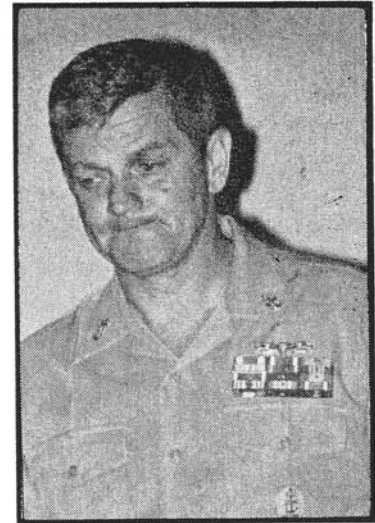
The Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON), ETCM(SW) Hagan, recently visited NSGA Edzell. The MCPON's visit began with a bang as his arrival coincided with the July 4th fireworks display at the Independence Day Celebration. He mingled at the carnival and immersed himself in the evening's festivities. Although his visit was brief, base personnel had several opportunities to meet with him.

The following morning, the command was invited to join the MCPON for PT. The next stop was a hearty breakfast with the Chief Petty Officer's Community and then a brief meeting with CDR Ray. At 8:00 a.m. the enlisted community assembled at the base theater for a question and answer session with Master Chief Hagan.

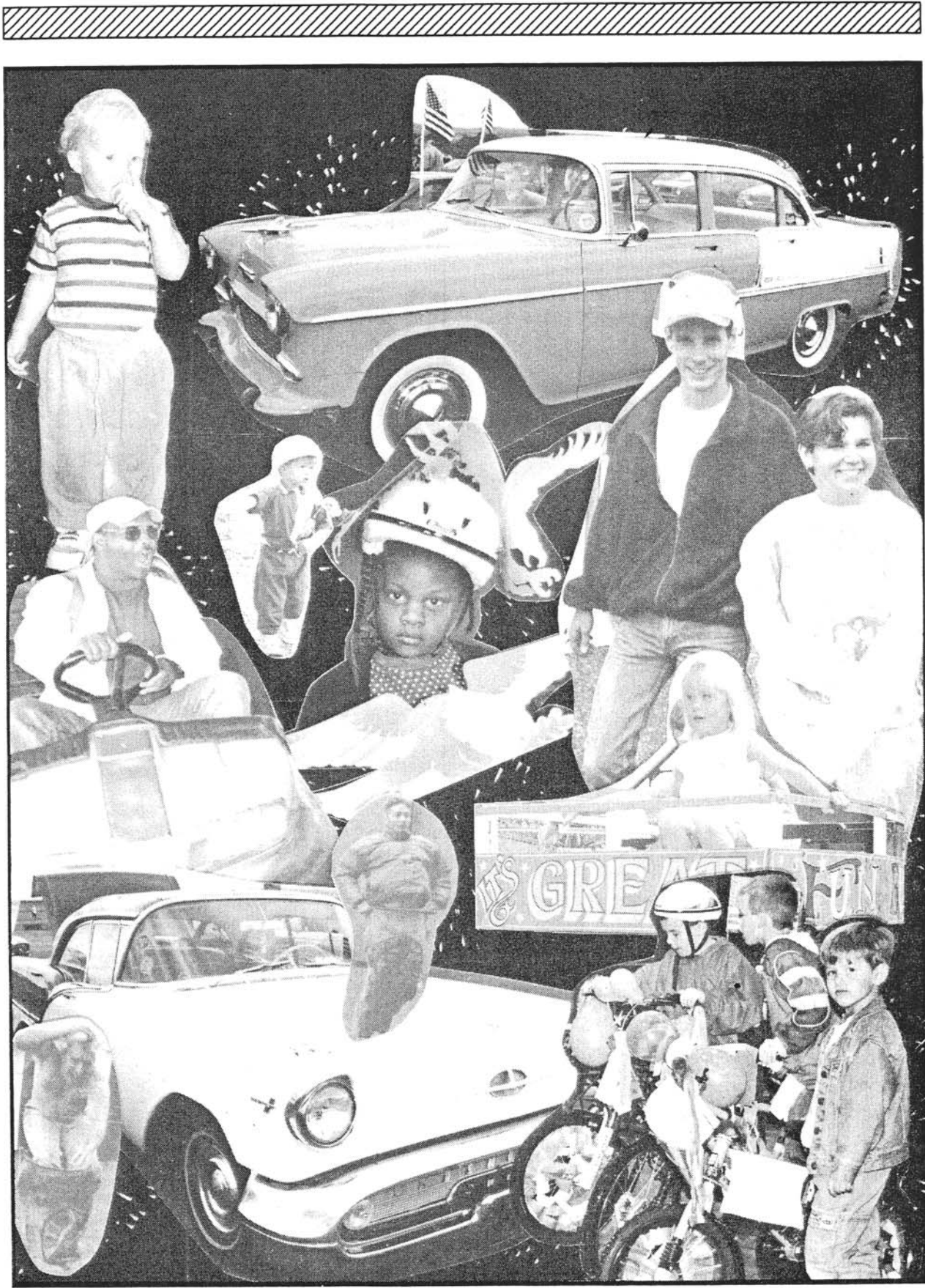
Master Chief Hagan briefly discussed the new eval system and the PRT program, then he said anything goes and opened the floor to questions. After he threatened to share family photos with the audience, the sailors responded with a barrage of questions. The MCPON's openness and sense of humor created the perfect atmosphere for the community to air concerns.

Topics brought up for discussion ranged from detailing to convalescent leave for new fathers. The audience was also curious about various pay issues. Issues such as sea pay for isolated overseas duty stations and discrepancies in pay for dual military families. The MCPON was committed to answering each question and took note of suggested resolutions to take back to D.C. He also wrote down pending issues to research sufficient resolutions.

Master Chief Hagan said he was impressed with the CT community. Before his departure, he challenged the command to maintain Edzell's high standard of excellence.



(photo above) The MCPON was committed to answering each question. (photo below) The enlisted community gathered at the base theater for a question an answer session with the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy. The MCPON put the crowd at ease with his openness and sense of humor. (photo left) the MCPON mingled with the community at the Fourth of July carnival.



Railroad to Independence

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Caledonian Railway is a steam railway preserved and operated by volunteers. The railway operates over the only remaining section of the Caledonian Railway branch line in Angus situated on the former Strathmore main line. This four mile section of track stretches from Brechin to the Bridge of Dun.

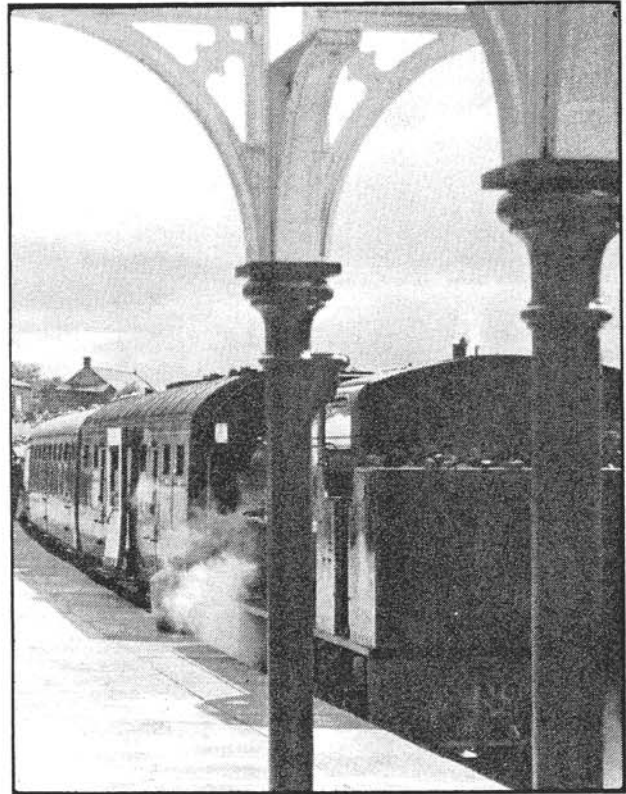
Steam hauled trains run every Sunday from the last Sunday in May through the middle of September and on special events throughout the year. Trains make special runs on Easter Sunday, the three Sundays before Christmas, and for the past two years for the Railroad to Independence.

The Railroad to Independence is a celebration in conjunction with NSGA Edzell's Fourth of July. The celebration was organized and hosted by the Navy Wives Club of America, Scottish Thistle #239 and the Caledonian Railway, Brechin. Guests assembled on the steps outside Brechin Station for the opening ceremony at 11:00 a.m. on July 7.

The ceremony began with the introduction of guests and the presentation of Colors by the NSGA Color Guard. Guests were welcomed by Mr. Jim Wilkie, the Chairman of the Caledonian Railway; Mrs. Kara VanMeter, the Chairman of the Navy Wives Club; and CDR Ray. CDR Ray sounded the train's antique whistle and everyone proceeded to board the "Railroad to Independence." Passengers enjoyed a reception during the four mile ride to the Bridge of Dun. A line dancing demonstration was another activity for the passengers to enjoy.

Base organizations provided food and children's activities, while a crowd anxiously waited for the train to arrive at the Bridge of Dun

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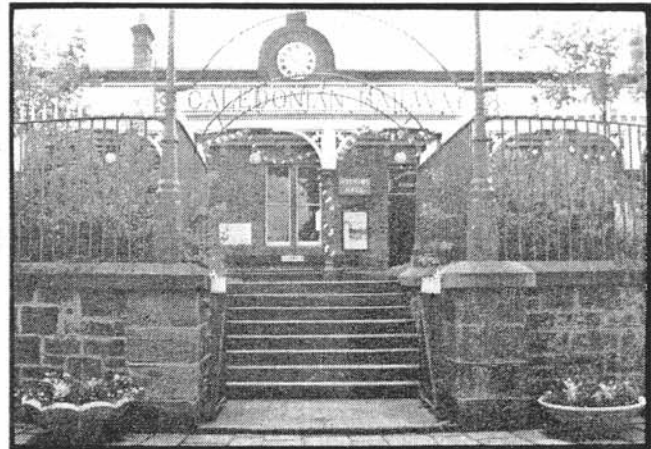
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Station. Craft vendors took this opportunity to display items at Brechin Station.

Tina Beicker, an organizer of the event, said because of the support from the command and the base and local communities this year's celebration was a tremendous success! Since the Caledonian Railway is a non-profit organization, the money raised will be used for restorations. These improvements can be enjoyed by patrons throughout the year.



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Antique Car Show

Story and photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

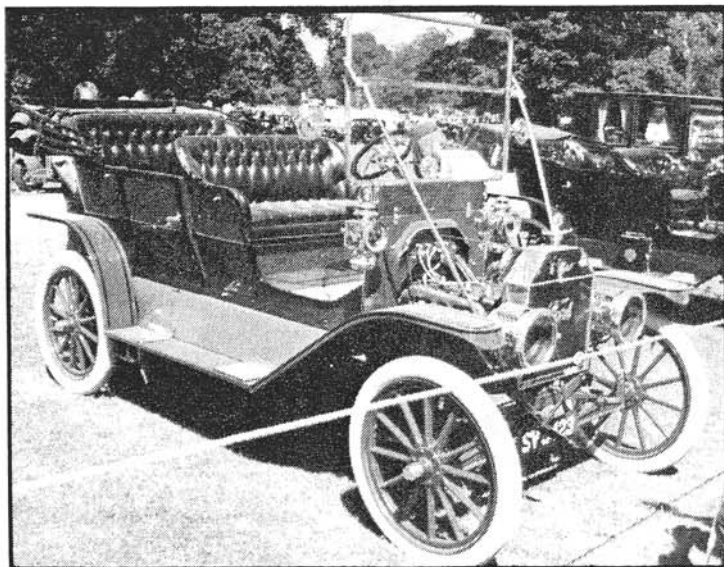
“Come big, come small! Come one, come all!” And they did on July 14. Thousands of people swarmed to the annual Antique Car Extravaganza. Each year the extravaganza is held on the grounds of Glamis Castle. Just about anything sporting wheels participated in the event. The event proved to be one to remember, for the young admirers in baby strollers to the owners of priceless motorcars with elaborate chrome-work.

The sunshine poured over hundreds of exhibits lining the castle grounds. Antique motorcars ranged from Bentleys to steam engines and from fire trucks to Rolls Royces. The two-wheeled community ranged from classic Harley Davidsons to cast-iron bicycles dating back to the turn of the century. Farm equipment was also a big attraction; vintage tractors from yester-year as well as some modern equipment proudly represented this community.

The cars and equipment were a big part of the day’s festivities, but were not the only attractions. The castle itself was open for business. Crafters took advantage of this opportunity to display goods, and rides and games for the children ran steady throughout the day. Food tents and ice cream stands were readily available for those who worked up an appetite exploring the castle grounds. The day was truly one to enjoy!



(photo above) Each car was assigned a number, the numbers were placed in a pamphlet with information about the car and owner.



(photo left) Ford Model "T" dating back to the turn of the century. (photo above) Antique steam roller.

Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s



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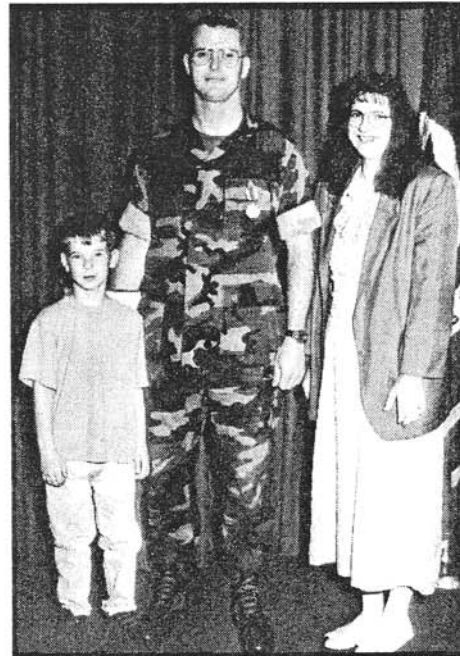
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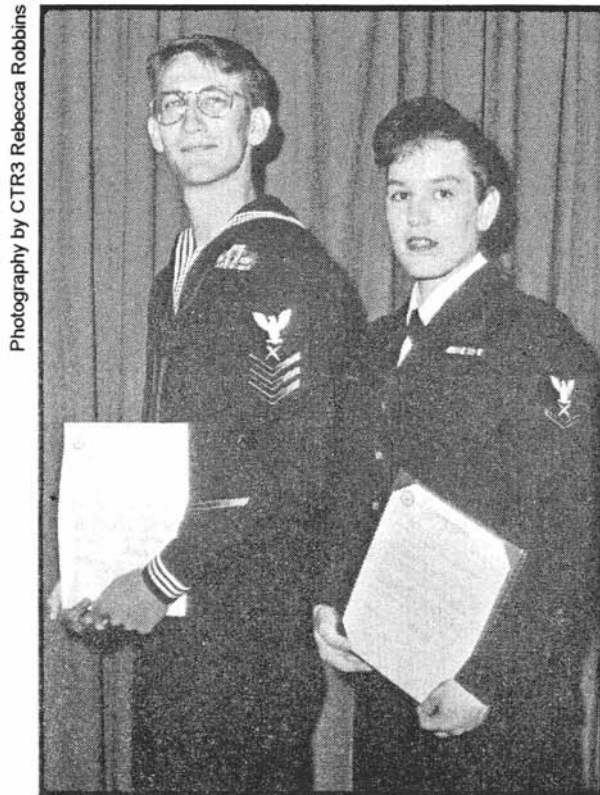
(above) Constable George A. Halliday being presented with his Police Good Conduct & Long Service Medal by Assistant Chief Constable Mr. W. E. Bedwell. The medal is awarded after 22 years of Police service.

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(above) MAJ Greg Tyson recieved a Meritorious Service Medal.

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(photo left)(from left) CTT1 Dane Stone and CTR3 Chris Parker. (photo above) CTR2 Eric Shaw.

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(photo above) LCDR Matthew Turner taking oath for his current rank. (photo left) LCDR Turner's family helps pin on new rank.

Reenlistments This Month

by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton



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(above) Congratulations to CTR3 Jay Juhl

During the month of June, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended.

CTRCM Wayne Holder
NCC Mark Wojcik
CTR1 Susan Slayton
CTM1 Christopher Waldon
CTT2 Dawn Fleitz
CTM2 William Alford
CTR3 Jay Juhl
CTM3 Bradley Neilson
CTM3 Stephanie Litter

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

Space — A Changes for Family Travel

reprinted from Navy News

In a move designed to expand Space - Available travel privileges and enhance quality of life, the Department of Defense (DoD) changed it's policy on family members using Space - A flights.

An Air Force recommendation accepted October 1995 now allows family members to travel space available within CONUS with sponsors and to travel overseas without sponsors.

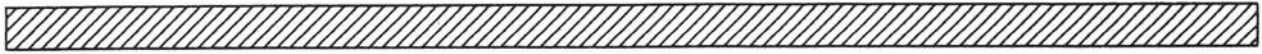
Specifically, family members may travel Space - A within the United States with their sponsor on permissive house - hunting trips linked to a permanent change of station (PCS). They may also travel with sponsors for state - side emergency leaves.

Family members may also travel Space - A unaccompanied between the United States and an overseas theater and within that theater when on a command - sponsored overseas assignment.

Space - A travel allows eligible passengers to use seats remaining on all DoD - owned and chartered aircraft. DoD categorizes Space - A travel into six categories:

- Category I - Emergency Leave
- Category II - Environmental and Morale Leave for Active - Duty Personnel Assigned to Remote Sites
- Category III - Ordinary Leave, Permissive Temporary Duty in Preparation of a PCS Move
- Category IV - Environmental and Morale Leave for Unaccompanied Family Members and DoD Teachers During Summer Break
- Category V - Service Members on Permissive Temporary Duty, Foreign Military Passengers and Students
- Category VI - Retired Military, Reserve Service Members and ROTC / Service Academy Cadets

Although the new policy will not affect current Space - A categories, conditions and restrictions to the travel apply. A command -sponsored family member must be 18 - years old to travel unaccompanied. Also, travelers stationed overseas must have a letter signed by the sponsor's commander verifying command sponsorship. The letter is valid for one round - trip, however, other travel restrictions may apply in some overseas areas.



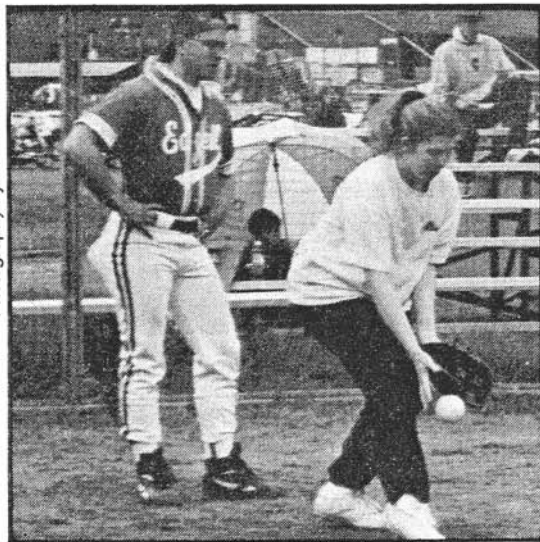
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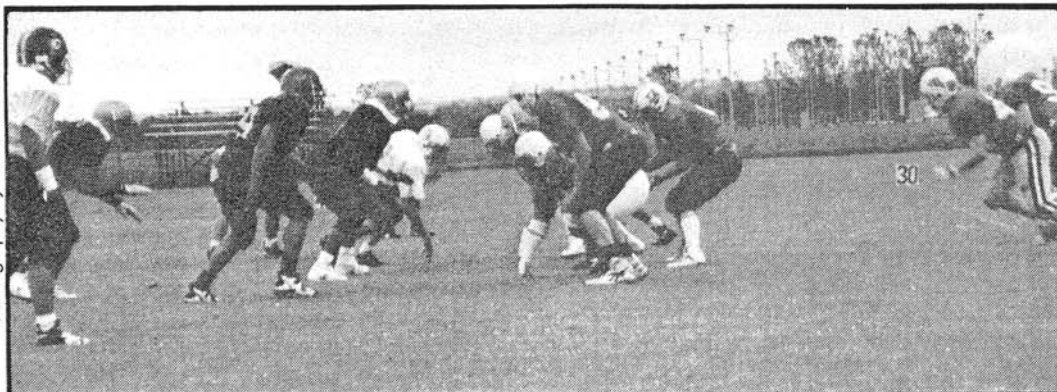
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During the Fourth of July Extravaganza sports fans had two opportunities to catch some exciting sports action. On July 6, the base softball team sponsored a softball tournament that lasted throughout the day. On the same day, football teams from Fife and Dundee traveled to the base for a real American style football game.

Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett



SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

by CTT1 Ed Wilson

NSGA Edzell's men's softball team had one goal in the 1996 3rd Air Force Small Units Softball Championships for the United Kingdom at RAF Fairford. The goal: Qualify for the 3 AF European Softball Championship.

In the first game Edzell faced Stravanger, Norway. The team banged out 21 hits in route to a 14-2 victory. Next we faced RAF Fairford. Edzell was down 6-1 after three innings, but came alive in the sixth and went on top 7-6. In the seventh inning, RAF Fairford scored the tying run and forced extra innings. We scored 3 in the top of the eighth to take the lead. Fairford came back and were 10-8 down with two on and one out when their power hitter came up to bat. He stroked the ball deep to left field, but CTR2 Chapin made a leaping catch to rob them of a game winning homerun. His catch also broke their spirit and after a routine third out Edzell advanced to the semi finals and avenged last years loss to Fairford.

The following day Edzell played RAF Molesworth to decide who would advance to the championship game from the winners bracket. Edzell played well, forcing extra innings after tying 2-2 during normal play. Unfortunately, Molesworth rallied and scored seven runs in the eighth and won the game 9-2.

The Edzell team went to the losing bracket to face RAF Menwithhill, the defending champions for the past two years. Excellent defensive play and good pitching won the day and Edzell prevailed 4-3, capturing a berth in the championship game against RAF Molesworth.

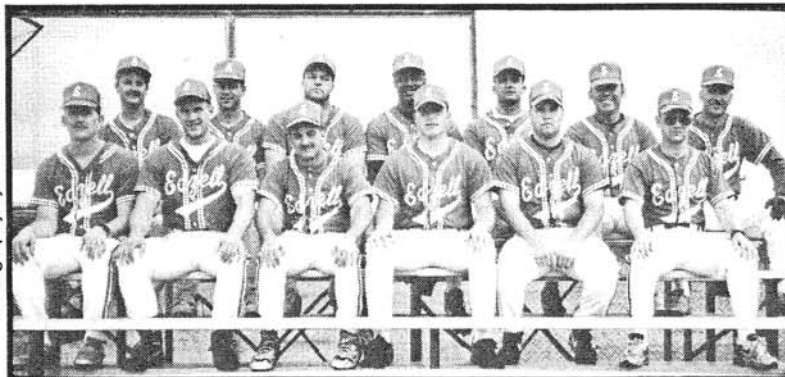
In the championship game, Edzell was down 4-0 going into the 3rd inning. CTMCM Sparks led off with a single. CTT1 Wilson stroked a triple down the right field line, scoring CTMCM Sparks. In the fifth inning Edzell was trailing 5-1, when our bats came alive and we tied the score 5-5. An error in the seventh inning followed by a couple of singles put Molesworth on top for a 7-5 victory.

Despite the loss, we achieved our goal of qualifying for the European Championships. Coach Wilson had to submit a name for the Sportsman award prior to the championship game. There were many good players on each team, but he felt that nobody played better than Edzell's CTT2 Cliggett and CTR2 Chapin, so he submitted both names. The other coaches submitted their choices. In the end, CTT2 Cliggett was named winner of the tournaments sportsmanship award for his defensive capabilities. Congratulations!

The team travels to RAF Fairford again on the July 30th to participate in the 3rd Air Force European Softball Championship. This round robin tournament pits the top two teams against each other in the championship game. We have at least six games facing the team and will be at the top of our game for NSGA Edzell's last tournament appearance.

I would like to thank everyone for their helping support the team. A lot of sacrifices had to be made for this to happen and the team appreciates your help.

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(photo left) Members of NSGA Edzell's 1996 Men's Softball Team. (front row)(from left) Billy Alford, Matthew Cox, Ray Rizzo, Justin Chapin, Mike Cliggett, and Joseph May. (back row)(from left) Ed Wilson, Clay Connor, Robert Roche, Roosevelt Moody, Bob Benitez, Michael Sparks, and Champy

In the Mud

by *LT Sean G. McLaren*

The spotlight was on the Tug Team last month. We competed in the Royal Tournament at Earl's Court in London from 9 to 12 July. Each morning we pulled to determine what place we would be competing for that evening.

The matches were difficult, but Edzell pulled well and made it to the evening show each night. In the evening shows we won three of four pulls to earn three fifth place and one fourth place finish. Our big success was a clean sweep of the Royal Navy team. During the concluding ceremony, special mention was given to the Edzell team as this was our last Earl's Court competition.

August will be a preparation month for us as we get ready for the Royal Braemar Highland Games on September 7.

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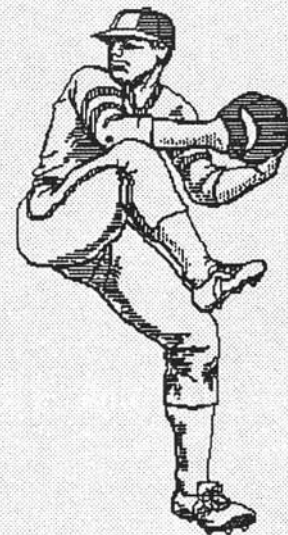


(photo left) Coach Wright squats down to tell Chief Turner and DK3 Jinks to "stop pulling we've already won the match."

Softball Season Standings

As of July 30

	W	L	GB
C/O's	6	1	-
20/32	4	1	1
35	4	1	1
DW	2	1	2
AF	0	4	4.5
Women	0	5	5



XO - Files

"Mulder, I've only got one nerve left and you're getting on it! There is no secret organization after you," hollered the XO. "Now if you aren't out of here pronto they are going to be serving barbecued lieutenant in the galley for lunch!"

"Sir, do you mean THEY are cannibals?" I replied.
"OUT!!!"

I hit the door and hurried back towards the office. The XO had called me in to give me a new assignment. The head office had received several complaints about strange chanting and grunting coming from Horsey park. Some kind of diabolical ritual was my first instinct. THEY were probably involved in it as well. I could follow LT Hummer and LT Kelly and see how often they went to the park or I could put a tail on Medical's hamstermobile. My mind was whirling faster than the wheels of a two year old's tricycle. The tricycle slammed into a brick wall when I stepped into my office. CTM1 "Muscles" Olson, the CMS enforcer, was repossessing my STU 3 phone.

"Hey what's this!" I yelled.

"Orders, sir," responded the over muscled behemoth as he ripped the phone cord out of the wall.

"Well what am I going to do for a secret hotline?" I asked.

"Sir, you never make secret voice reports" JO2 Scully added cheerfully.

"Well the Russians might attack, aliens might invade, there could be an Elvis sighting, you never know what I might need it for."

"Look sir, I've got to get over to Horsey park, if you have any complaints call the office," said Muscles as he lumbered out the door with my STU 3 under his arm.

As I watched him leave, the tricycle in my brain spluttered forward again. Obviously THEY knew I was getting close and were trying to shut down my communications. The tricycle was picking up speed. That meant Muscles was working for them. Tricycle at full speed. Muscles was going to Horsey park. I had it! I could head over to the park, hide in the trees and watch what Muscles did. I told Scully I was going on an assignment and bolted through the door.

When I stepped out I noticed LT Hummer and LT Kelly walking towards the post office. The terrible twosome were deep in conversation. The padre's mug was plastered with a big grin and the lawyer LT was nodding in agreement with everything the pleasant priest was saying.

Unbelievable, next it will be LT Burgess attending church, I thought to myself. As soon as the pair went inside I hopped into my speedster and drove to the field.

The field was deserted, but I noticed three 55 gallon drums under some trees. I walked over to check them out. There was a wire rope attached to one of the drums. It lead up into a tree. This is handy, I thought as I used the rope to climb into the tree. I had barely settled in when I noticed a suspicious group of characters converging on my tree. This group included some of Edzell's most notorious characters. EOC "Haggis" Turner, CE3 "Shaggy" O'Rourke, CE1 "Wildman" Wegner, SK2 "Mr. America" Ferm and CM1 "Bend Me, But Don't Break Me" Henderson shambled over to the tree. After mumbling greetings, the group sat down and started removing their shoes. The rowdy crowd then pulled out strange boots with metallic heels and put them on. I was pondering this odd act when DK3 "Ropeburn" Jinks, HM3 "Tugman" Schaich and CTM1 "Muscles" Olson joined the group and put boots on too. The group mulled about until DPC Wright walked up. He was a known ADP agent who went by the codename Falcon. He grumbled a little bit then belted out "Alright Line Up!"

The mob shambled over to a rope I hadn't noticed before.

"Pick up the rope!" screamed out Chief Wright.

They lifted the rope of the ground and positioned themselves along it's length. I noticed the rope they were holding was attached to a wire rope.

"Take a strain!"

The rope snapped taut as the group pulled the slack out of it. I followed the wire rope it was attached to and saw that it ran to a pulley at the base of my tree.

"Steady!"

The rope ran from the pulley to the branch of the tree I was sitting on, then back down to one of the drums. It was the one I had used to climb up here.

"PULL!!!"

It felt like I was sitting on top of the San Andreas fault during the busy season. I had to hang on for dear life as the branch I was on jumped back and forth. An odd chanting reached my ears, the guys below were screaming "PUSH, TIGHT, PUSH, TIGHT" in a steady rhythm. The tree shook with each beat. I loosened up my death grip on the branch and leaned out to look below. The drum the wire rope was attached to was dangling one foot directly underneath me. The chanting stopped and I looked at the group below. They were struggling with rope and grunting as they pulled on it.

I knew I had to get out of here fast. I was looking for a way down when Chief Wright screamed out "TWO, THREE, ENDDA!" I didn't have time to wonder what happened to the number one because the barrel underneath me flew up and slammed into the branch. I was knocked into the air and out of the tree. Lucky for me I landed on the hardest part of my body, my head. The group watched me as I staggered to my feet.

"Hey LT, you joining the Tug team?" somebody yelled at me.

The Tug team, so that was who these suspicious characters were. I had all the puzzle pieces now. The Tug team must be the muscle branch of THEY. Looking at the collection of characters here; Tugman striking a body building pose, Muscles taking a swig of Super Protein Muscle Growth Formula, and Haggis staring at his armpit, I knew THEY must be widespread throughout the base.

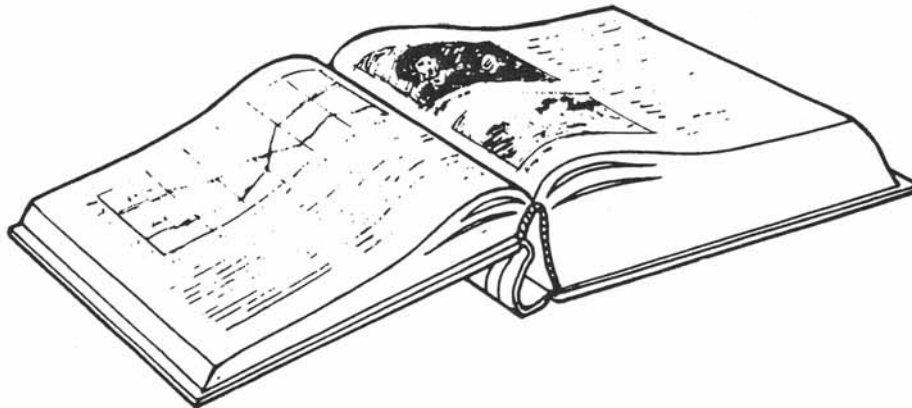
"Just a routine tree inspection, fellabs. This one is nice and solid. Oops! Look at the time, gotta get back to the office, time for my coffee break" I said. From the confused looks on their faces I could tell my clever ruse had fooled them. Back at the office I filed my report. The Tug Team is on my suspect list, it's 1630 on a Friday, and I'm outta here!

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September

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



- 02 - Labor Day
- 05 - E4 advancement exam
- 10 - E5 advancement exam
- 12 - E6 advancement exam
- 13 - Commemoration Ceremony
- 14 - Rosh Hashanah
- 15 - POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 22 - First day of Autumn
- 23 - Yom Kippur

October

FIRE SAFETY MONTH

- 13 - Navy Birthday
- 14 - Columbus Day
- 19 - Navy Day Ball
- 24 - United Nations Day
- 27 - Daylight Savings ends
- 31 - Halloween



November

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- 05 - Election Day
- 10 - Marine Corps Birthday
- 11 - Veterans Day
- 14 - Great American Smokeout
- 28 - Thanksgiving
- 28 - Navy Chaplin Birthday

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(above) The NSGA Color Guard leads the official party at the opening ceremonies for Edzell Gala Week.

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From the Bridge



CDR Phil Ray

Where has the year gone? It's SEPTEMBER!!! Seems like only yesterday that Cheryl, Bryan, and I were getting settled in and, yet, so much has happened. The calendar filled up quickly as we went through the Navy Day Ball, Halloween, Guy Fawkes, Thanksgiving, Christmas Holidays, Burns Supper, High School graduation, 4th of July and various advancements, promotions, and retirements. But, probably more significantly, we have bid farewell to 60% of our shipmates and 90% of our mission has gone elsewhere with the remainder of mission ending this month AND it will only get busier the next few months.

The challenge before us will be very different because it will require us to perform non-traditional tasks from what we have been trained. This means extra attention down to the most minuscule detail will be required so that we do not allow any unnecessary safety or security risks to develop (and, in my book, they are all unnecessary). I know a great deal of planning has taken place, but now is the time to review our plans and procedures to be sure everyone understands them and what is expected.

But I, also, wanted to remind you that, while you are doing all this planning at work, you should be sure to plan your remaining days in Scotland. As I tried to point out, there are many demands on our time and, if we don't manage them properly, these demands can eat up what little time we all have left here and force us to leave regretting things left undone and unseen. THAT would be a tragedy.

In the meantime, our Commemoration Ceremony is September 13th and I look forward to seeing you all there. A great deal of planning has been put forth to make it an exciting and memorable occasion. Til then - be safe and keep your shipmates safe, too.

Fair Winds and Following Seas



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SAICM(SM/AM) Michael W. Riley

Master Chief Signalman (SW/AW) Michael W. Riley embarked on a journey in January of 1960 that few have had the courage and determination to complete. Upon completion of Recruit Training, Master Chief Riley reported aboard his first ship, the USS Astabula, launching a career that would span over three decades and lead him around the world. His compassionate spirit became a beacon for all sailors to follow.

On August 20, 1996 Master Chief Riley transferred to the fleet reserve. In a brief ceremony, CTASN Steven Painter "assumed the watch" and Master Chief Riley was piped ashore for the last time. In his farewell address Master Chief Riley said he had complete faith in the men and women of today's Navy and that his absence would not have much of an impact on the Navy. However, those who had the privilege of working with Master Chief Riley will miss his guidance, leadership, knowledge and friendship.

Quality of Life Improvements



"MCPON Follows Through"

ETCM(SW) John Hagan

by JO2 Melanie Barnett - additional information courtesy of Navy News Service

After a recent visit to NSGA Edzell, the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON), ETCM(SW) John Hagan, appeared before the military installations and facilities subcommittee of the House National Security Committee. The MCPON spoke to the subcommittee about Quality of Life issues. Some of the items discussed were issues expressed by the Edzell community.

During the subcommittee meeting Master Chief Hagan said, "The priority for today's planning is centered around the shipboard Sailors' needs for home port (and) pierside facilities dedicated to single sailors (living) on ships, and resolving long-standing inequities in our pay and allowance system, as well as barracks and family housing needs."

This subcommittee has been responsible for funding a variety of projects that have made significant improvements to Quality of Life. Among those programs is a barracks at Port Hueneme, Ca., and family housing in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Everett, Wa.

"When Sailors and their families have housing that meets their needs and they are proud to call it

home, retention increases, recruiting pressures abate and the force is more mission ready as a direct consequence," said Hagan.

Hagan also spoke in support of a variable housing allowance minimum floor and resolution of member-member marriage bachelor allowance for quarters inequities.

Hagan focused much of his testimony on living conditions faced by Sailors at sea. Displaying poster size photographs of berthing on the USS George Washington (CVN 73), he told the subcommittee that these living conditions are understood because of tight shipboard quarters, but stressed we must do all we can to provide quality barracks and pierside single-sailor facilities.

"Your assistance has resulted in a strong force which continues to have complete faith in their leadership," Hagan concluded.

During Master Chief Hagan's visit to Edzell, he was committed to answering each question. In closing statements to local Sailors he promised resolutions to pending issues. The MCPON's recent meeting with the subcommittee confirms his devotion to Sailors and their Quality of Life.

The Beginnings of NSGA Edzell

by A. Pelletier (CAPT, USN RET) (NCVA)

For some time, the citizens of Morocco had been demonstrating against the United States presence in their country. As a result, the Naval Security Group Command was looking for a new location. At the same time, our station at Bremerhaven was being bothered by increases in electromagnetic interference, making radio reception more and more difficult. We were also looking for a replacement for that station, in the British Isles. My boss, Captain Lehman at CINCNELM, was very much occupied with this problem.

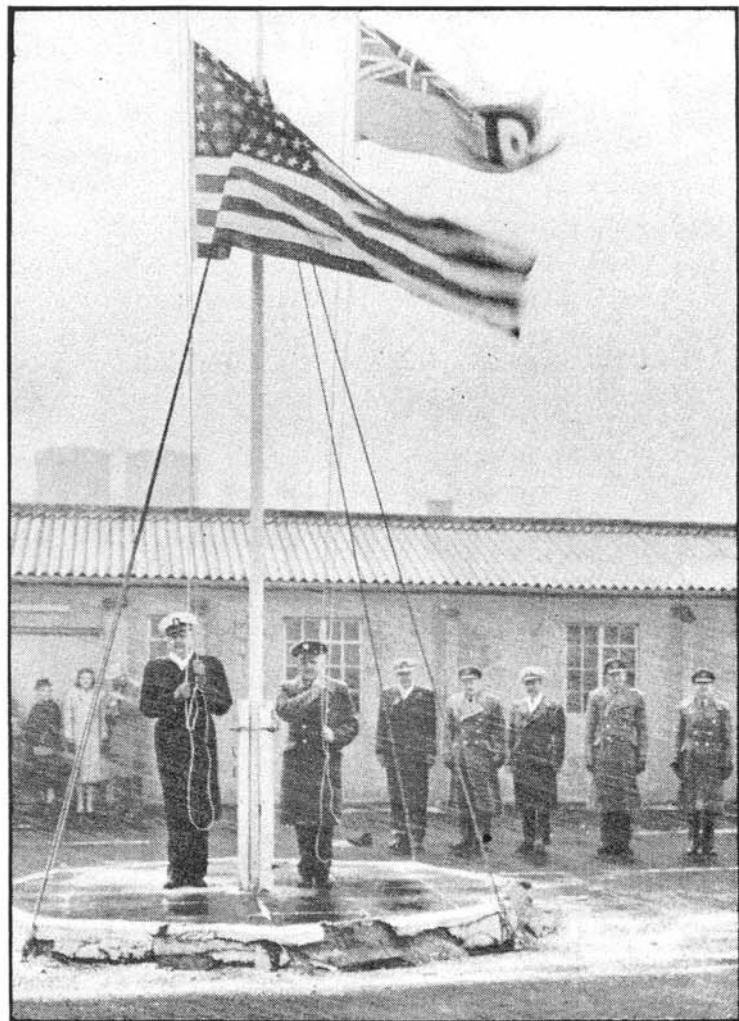
Captain Lehman called me into his office one day, and said that he heard from the Admiralty that the RAF Base in Edzell Scotland was to be put on the block for bids in a few days. Further, that if we were interested we should get up there fast.

Accordingly, on February 10, 1960, I caught the train for Edzell and checked into the local hotel. The next day I met with Squadron Leader P.I. Redford who represented the Commander of RAF Leuchars. I signed for the base and then in near blizzard conditions the two of us plus a half dozen others met at the Headquarters Building and the RAF Ensign was lowered, then raised simultaneously with the Stars and Stripes.

The next day I caught the morning train back to London. I reported in and gave the signed papers to Captain Lehman. He said "Good," and then sat down and composed a message to the Chief of Naval Communications which said, "ONE OF MY OFFICERS THIS DAY ACCEPTED TITLE TO RAF BASE EDZELL SCOTLAND. PLEASE CONFIRM THIS ACTION."

"Oh! My goodness" I said, "You mean I signed for a base without Washington approval?" Captain Lehman told me not to worry, that was the only way he could think of to get those bureaucrats in Washington to make up their mind. He also said that he had recommended RAF Edzell many months ago but Washington kept putting off the decision. He was right. The "powers to be" came through with the authorization.

I learned another lesson here, if you want something done, do it, don't wait for the bureaucrats!



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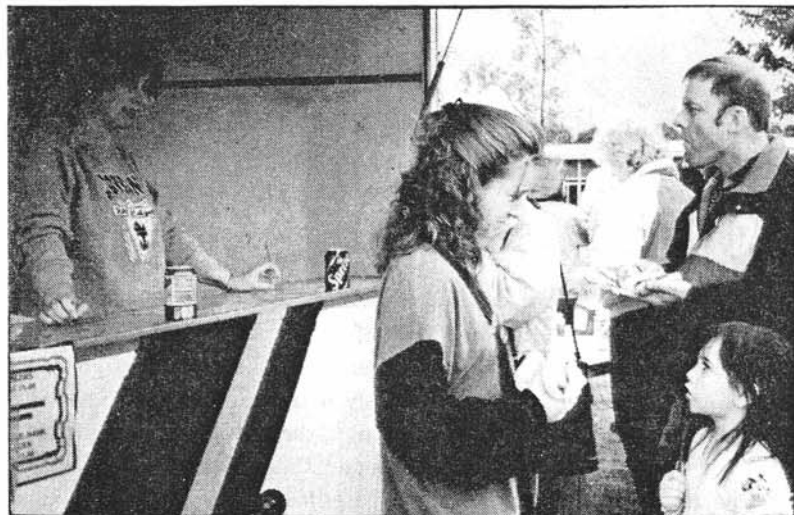
February 11, 1960 the U.S. Navy officially took over RAF Edzell in a ceremony held in blizzard conditions. The RAF ensign was lowered, then raised simultaneously with the Stars and Stripes. Raising our flag is CTC Guy Keenum, the first U.S. Navy officer to the right is CAPT A. Pelletier (then CDR), to the right of CAPT Pelletier is Squadron Leader P. I. Redford.

NSGA Edzell's National Night Out Against Crime

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The NSGA Edzell community joined forces with thousands of communities all over the U.S. on August 7, for the "13th annual National Night Out" (NNO). This event focuses on crime and drug abuse prevention. National Night Out, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the NSGA Edzell Security Department, was deemed a success with over 150 people attended the event at W.F. Halsey School.

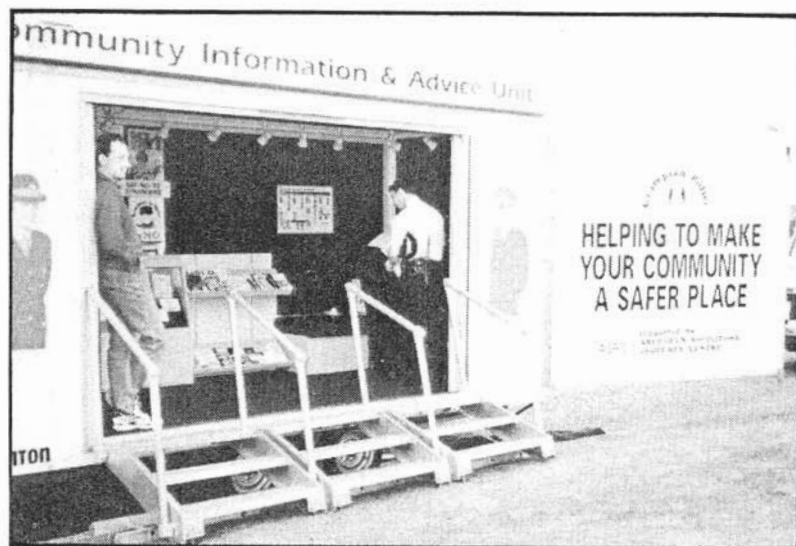
Festivities commenced with the reading of the NNO proclamation by CDR Ray and the starting of the 5 kilometer run. Other activities included poster contest judging, Ident-a-Kid program conducted by base security, a Fire Simulator by the Station Fire Department, a Police Dog demonstration, weapons safety training, and a D.J. The success of NNO was made possible by donations of various base organizations, including the Chief Petty Officer's Association and the Acey Duecy Association. Donations included free hotdogs, cases of soda, trophies for the 5K run, NNO T-shirts, pencils, frisbees, and balloons.



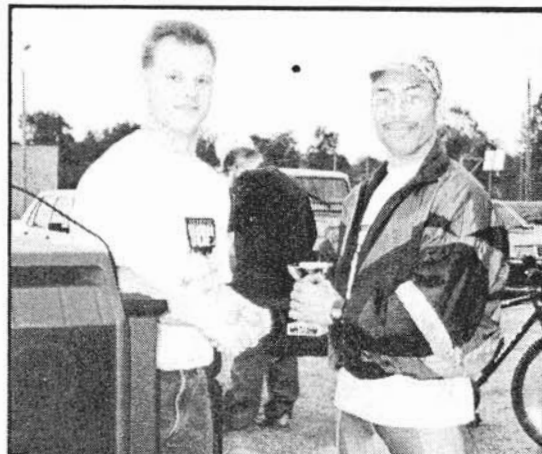
(above) The evenings activities commenced with the reading of the proclamation and the starting of the 5K run. (photo left) The Chief Petty Officer's community pitched in by donating hot dogs and sodas.



(photo right) First place runners in several categories receive trophies. (middle) MODP put up an information center. (bottom left) A police dog demonstration by RM Condor MODP. (bottom right) CM1 Phillip Henderson receives trophy from organizer EW2 Larry Bartlett.



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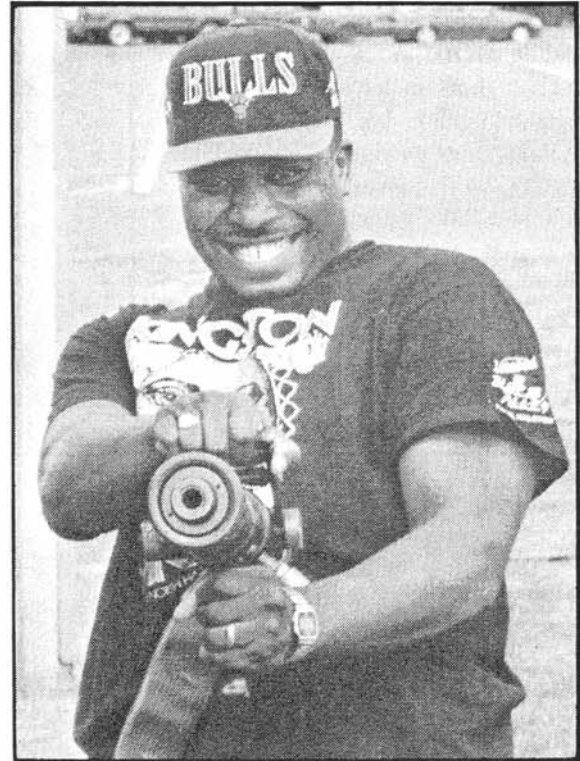
1996 Fire Truck Wash

by CTA3 Ray Rizzo

Another election year is fast upon us and one of the most highly contested elections could be the 1996 Fire Truck Wash. It was time once again to reach into your wallet and vote for your favorite candidate. On the first day of voting, CTA2 Hering took a commanding lead with solid support from the "A" branchers. MAC Campomizzi was also popular from the start, but Petty Officer Hering was the clear favorite.

The following weeks of voting led to a strong top five line up until the last voting week changed the picture entirely. Problems beset ENS McCaffrey's campaign and he was forced from the most wanted list, but he was quickly replaced by CTT1 Knighten. The CAAC Director, IC1 Hannum, mysteriously appeared on the list, the benefactor of large anonymous campaign donations. LTjg Marhafer emerged as a front runner and several organizations helped Chief Campomizzi climb into a top spot. The whirlwind of voting led to the final list, CTA2 Hering, MAC Campomizzi, LTjg Marhafer, IC1 Hannum and CTT1 Knighten.

The day of the event was filled with excitement as the winners got down, dirty and wet. They masterfully displayed their toothbrushing skills and an excellent sense of humor. The 1996 Fire Truck Wash raised over £500 for this year's Navy Day Ball. Thanks to everyone who voted and the voting officials (Navy Day Ball Committee Members).

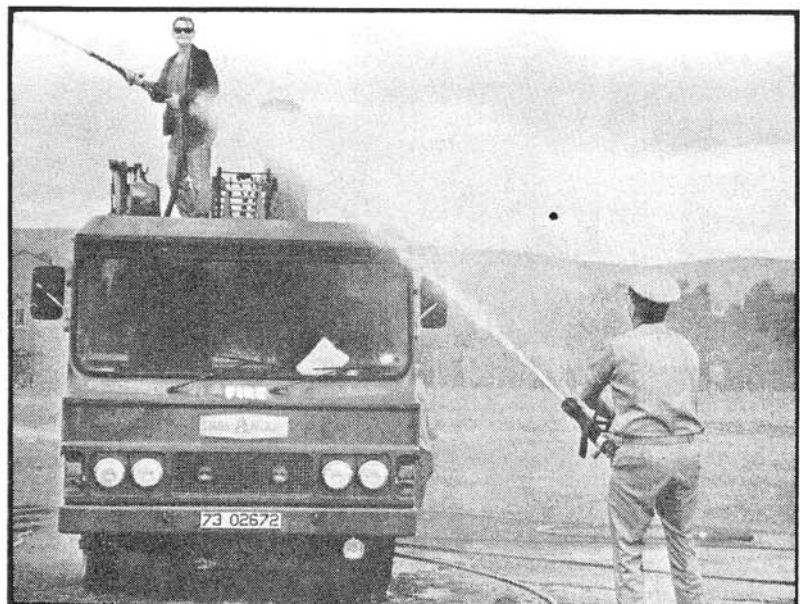


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Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s

Good Conduct Medals

Letters of Commendation

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(above)(back row from left) CTR3 Herbert Busler, CTO Sean Shields, CTO2 Christopher Parsell, CTT2 Jason Roche, CTR1 James Gilliam, and PC1 Patrick McKenna. (2nd row from left) CTO3 Michael Pagnotti, CTRSN Matthew Milanowicz, CTR2 Eric Shaw, CTR3 Javier Medina, and CM1 Phillip Henderson. (front row from left) CTA2 Loretta Williams and CTR3 Christina Ruggiero.

PSD Awards

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(left)(from left) PN3 Jason Buro, NATO Medal; PN2 Jose Lopez, NATO Medal; DK1 Christopher Weires, NATO Medal; YN3 Susan Ferranti, Advanced to E-4; and PN3 Rogelio Gatchalian, Letter of Comendation.

Senior Sailor of the Quarter CM1 Phillip K. Henderson

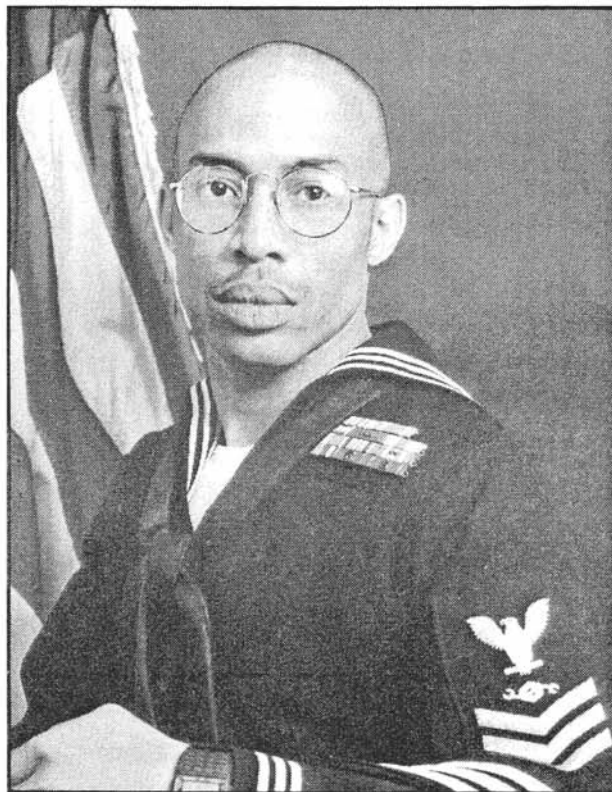
Construction Mechanic First Class Phillip K. Henderson was selected as the Senior Sailor of the Quarter for third quarter 1996.

Petty Officer Henderson serves as the Leading Petty Officer for Public Works Department and is responsible for scheduling all preventive maintenance and interim repairs on 77 pieces of rolling stock and equipment for NSGA and 13 tenant commands. Aside from managing the annual budget of over \$128,000, Petty Officer Henderson is the Snow and Ice Watchbill Coordinator, Pass Liaison Representative, Division Supply Petty Officer, Department Financial Counselor, QAE for the trash removal services contract, and License Examiner.

Petty Officer Henderson is also an active member of the RAF Edzell community. He is a member of the Tug O' War team, the Inverkeilor Clansmen Charity Motorcycle Club, and the Acey-Deucey Association.

Petty Officer Henderson is an impeccable hard charging sailor who instills pride and professionalism in all who work with him.

Congratulations on your selection!



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Junior Sailor of the Quarter CTR3 Javier Alfonso Medina

Cryptologic Technician Third Class Javier Alfonso Medina was selected as the Junior Sailor of the Quarter for the third quarter 1996.

Before his recent transfer to Diego Garcia, Petty Officer Medina worked for the First Lieutenant building 300. CTR3 Medina assisted in the routine destruction of classified material and performed periodic maintenance in the Operations building. Petty Officer Medina was also responsible for delivering food to the section workers in building 300 and acted as the Operations galley representative.

Petty Officer Medina exhibited a positive "Can Do" attitude and displayed superior leadership skills. His flexibility and natural supervisory skills were the key to his appointment as the First Lieutenant Supervisor. During his tour at Edzell, he was an active member of the Edzell Tug O' War team and participated in the Captains Cup Softball League. His off duty time was devoted to the Wednesday Wizards tutoring program, the Cub Scout Olympics, and coaching Little League Basketball.

Congratulations and good luck Petty Officer Medina!



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Reenlistments This Month

by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton



Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett



During the month of July, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended.

- CTM1 James Daley
- CTM1 Cherie Roche
- CTT1 Lester Knighten
- CTM2 Tina Gager
- CTR2 Jerry Lee Knight
- ET2 Richard Lebel
- CTM3 Victor Parrish
- CTR3 Christina Parker
- CTM3 Troy Perez

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

(above) Congratulations on your reenlistment CTR2 Jerry Lee Knight!

Montrose Highland Games

by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

BANG! The race began with the pop of a gun. With sheer determination the contestants dug in and took off at lightening speed. Crouched low and pedaling fast, the cyclists raced around the track, struggling to be first to cross the finish line and... Cycling was far from the only event at the 18th Montrose Highland Games.

The afternoon's activities included various children's games, Highland Dancing, solo piping, terrier races, horse and harness competitions, the Scottish Tug-of-War Championship, the long-jump, running events, and more. The NSGA Edzell tug-team participated and placed third in the competition.

Through the years, organizers of this event have looked to the base for help setting up and dismantling the games. This cooperation helped to strengthen ties of friendship with the local community.

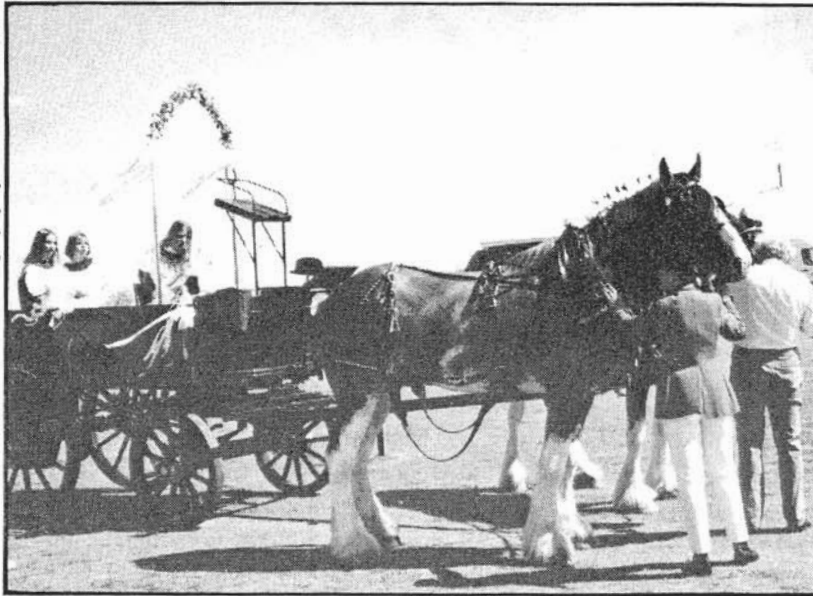


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(above) The NSGA Edzell Color Guard escorts the Montrose Town Band and the official party around the cycling track during the opening ceremony.

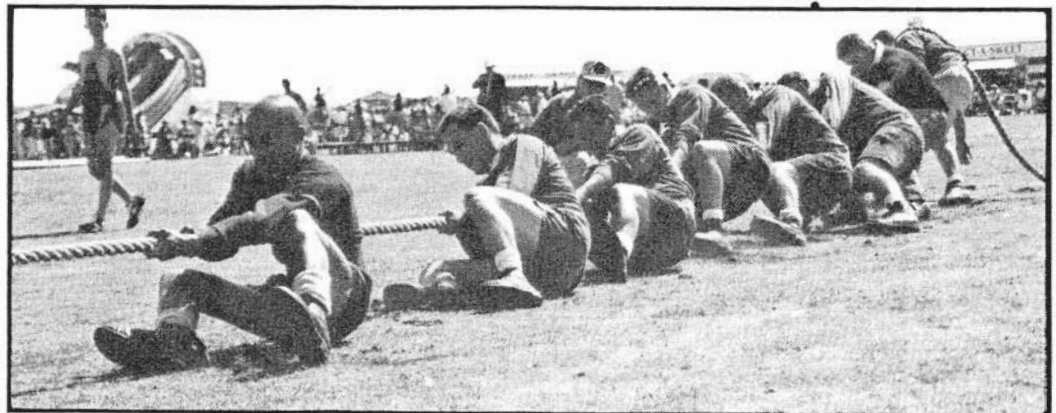


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(left) The official party prepares for the opening parade. (mid left) Crouched low and pedaling fast the cyclists raced around the track with sheer determination to be the first to cross the finish line. (below) The NSGA Edzell tug-team participated and placed third in the competition. This was one of the last matches before the prestigious Royal Braemar Gathering.

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SPECOM Switches Off

by RMC McAlpin

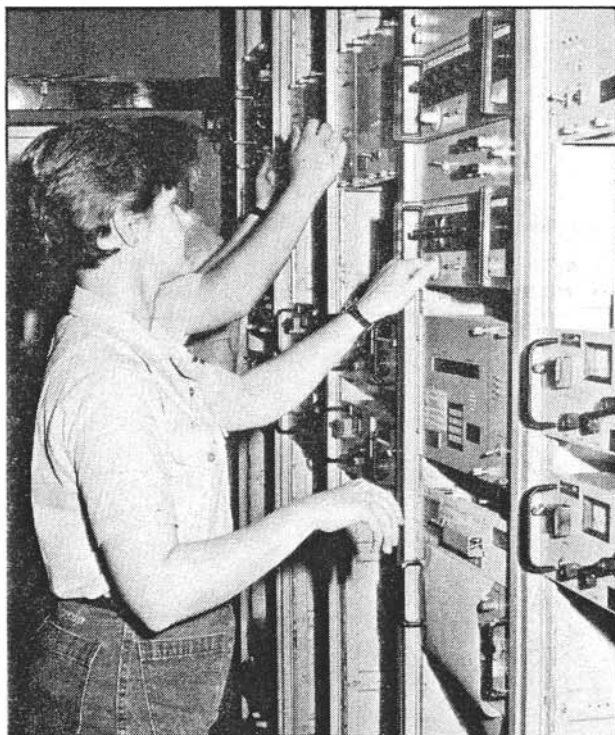
Special Communications (SPECOMM) is a division comprised of Radiomen and Electronic Technicians who excel in providing a unique service to the fleet. They have existed in the same location for twenty years but have only recently become members of Naval Security Group Activity Edzell. Prior to 1992, SPECOMM was a detachment from Naval Communication Station Thurso.

After the closure of NCS Thurso, NSGA Edzell 70 Department, better known as NAVTELCOM

Department, was established. NAVTELCOM Department existed for approximately three years. When SATCOMM division closed in 1995 SPECOMM and Maintenance divisions combined to become a unified SPECOMM division.

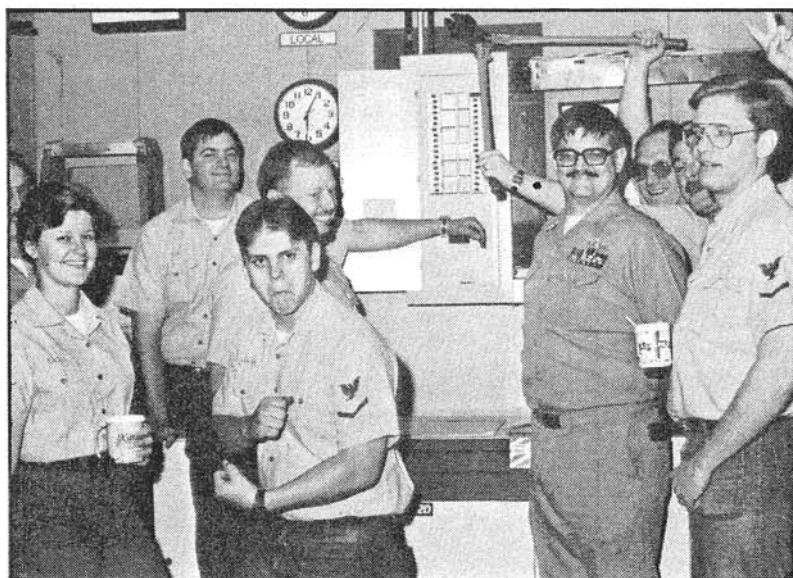
On 5 August 1996, in their corner of building 300, this small group of communicators marked the end of an era. At 11 a.m. SPECOMM division formally ceased operations. When the switch was thrown, turning the equipment off, more than 20 years of dedicated service came to an end and the task of closing the facility started.

With the cessation of operations the work for the people of SPECOMM is not at an end. Over the next month the people will work long hours removing the equipment and furniture. After the equipment has been removed and shipped, the spaces will be prepared for closure. Even after the spaces have been secured, the men and women of SPECOMM will continue working. The people will transfer to other departments to provide the new work centers with some much needed assistance.



(photo above and right) At 11:04 a.m. on August 5, 1996 SPECOMM division formally ceased operations by tripping the main power switch.

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PH2 Carole Rollman*



1996 Edzell Gala

by ETI John Brull

A full day of events on August 3rd kicked off Edzell Gala Week. It started with a parade where the NSGA Color Guard and the Forfar British Legion Pipe Band led the Gala Queen, her attendants, and a host of fancy dress and best wheels contestants into town. Later on, highland dancing, country line dancing and an auction commanded the center stage. The Acey Deucey Association and the Chief Petty Officer's Association sold American hot dogs and hamburgers. Various other food and game booths were on hand to make a very popular and very crowded day.

Other events rounded out the week. For the children there was a disco/karaoke night, a magician and puppet show, swimming, a raft race, and a family fun day. The base joined in and hosted the children for a morning of ten pin bowling. For the adults there was a quiz night, country line dancing, bingo, a concert in the castle, and much more.

The 1996 Edzell Gala finished with its' traditional flower and garden show on the last day where local amateur gardeners and farmers enter their flowers, vegetables, and home baking in a contest. According to the Gala Committee, this years Gala was a great success.

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(above) A fancy dress contestant shows off her costume after the parade. (bottom left) Country line dancing demonstration. (bottom right) The Gala Queen and her attendants.



Crombie Caper

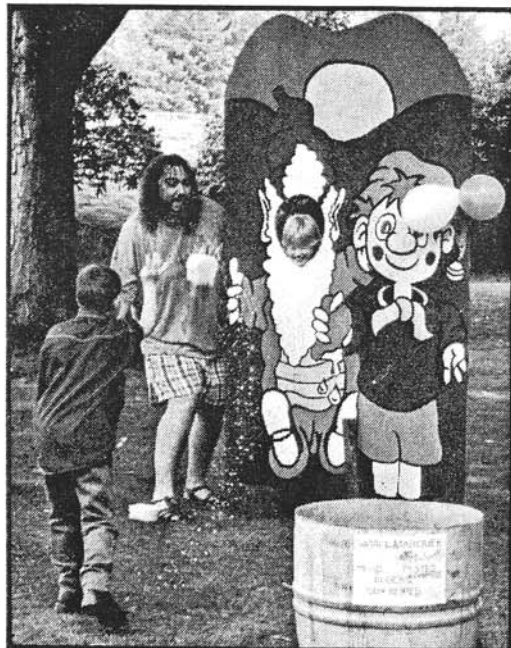
Story and photography by
Stewart McLaren

The Angus Social Works department recently played host to ninety area children at Crombie Country Park. The park, a beautiful setting, is located between Arbroath, Dundee and Forfar. The event, named the Crombie Caper, offered an afternoon filled with fun, games, prizes and food. Park Rangers, Royal Marines and the U.S. Navy pitched in to help make this new event a tremendous success. Local businesses donated a variety of picnic foods, candy bars and fruit juices. The candy was given as prizes at various game venues around the park.



Several volunteers from base lent a hand. The Chief Petty Officer's Association loaned its barbecue wagon and Public Works offered the use of their dunk tank. These items were well used as children and parents joined the festivities.

Steve Urquhart from the Angus Social Works department, the coordinator of the Crombie Caper declared the event a success and hopes to make it an annual event.



(photos above and right) Activities included fun events like the sponge toss and bobbing for apples. Other events like the "nuclear reactor" taught teamwork skills.



Edinburgh International Festival

by Stewart McLaren

Edinburgh, Scotland's Capital, is a magnificent and truly international city. Each year, during August, the city explodes to life as visitors from all over the world arrive to enjoy the Edinburgh International Festival of Music, Art and Drama.

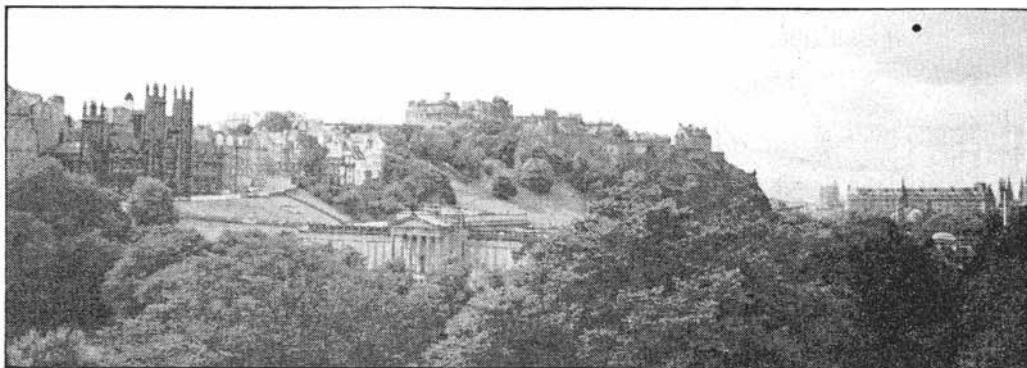
Prior to the big event, the International Jazz and Blues Festival gives the public a glimpse of things to come by setting up various venues in the Grassmarket (a public area just behind Edinburgh castle). The open air location buzzes with many Jazz and Blues bands setting the tone for the week to come.

Then the Edinburgh International Festival of Music, Art and Drama moves into the city. This year on August 11, the 50th Annual Edinburgh International Festival was started with a parade of bands and acts along Edinburgh's famed Princes Street. Edinburgh Castle, a breathtaking spectacle in itself, is the site for one of the highlights of the Festival, the Military Tattoo. A busload of base personnel attended this event. Here, the audience was entertained by Pipe Bands from various corners of the world, as well as military performers including the U.S. Army band. The Army band played military music and let four Saxophone players loose to strut their stuff with a rendition of Glen Miller's 'In The Mood.'

An exciting and extreme precision show was put on by a U.S. Military Drill team, world renown for their precision marching and rifle handling. The sight of bayoneted rifles being thrown through the air will long be remembered.

Outside the castle the city hosted an incredible variety of music, art and drama including the Festival Fringe. The Fringe, a festival in itself, has grown from a small collection of shows in the early days to a vast collection of exciting events.

Visiting Edinburgh any August will bring a wealth of memories as the Festival continues gaining momentum and notoriety.



Photography by Stewart McLaren

(above) Edinburgh Castle rests on plateau above Prince's Street Gardens. Each year during the International Festival the Military Tattoo takes place at the Castle.

The Great British Pub

by Yvonne Cant

Pubs in Britain have been around for centuries to provide a homely and traditional setting to meet people, eat good food and drink. Some pubs provide a quite cosy place to read and others offer affordable overnight accommodation. There are also pubs more lively and full of salespeople, tradesmen, retired folk and even dogs. A few pubs have bands performing live music or rock and roll playing on the juke box, these pubs tend to satisfy younger crowds.

In earlier days the tavern, or “ale-house” was an extension of private homes, offering a place for the public to eat and drink. The name “public house” came into use which was shortened to pub, the more familiar term used today. The inn, or coaching inn, appeared in the days of horse-drawn transport to meet the needs of travelers. These inns provided travelers a safe place to make overnight stops and take refreshments.

For some time, inns and pubs were required to provide lodging. Many pubs today still offer bed and breakfast accommodation. The term “inn” can be used to describe both. You are likely to find inns with public bars having the atmosphere of a pub, and pubs as refined as an urban hotel.

Recipe for COLLISION COCKTAIL

- ▶ 1 DRIVER
- ▶ 1 VEHICLE
- ▶ GARNISH WITH ALCOHOL
- ▶ ADD A DASH OF SPEED



Photography by CTR3 Philip Navone

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The origin of pub signs often reveals insight into local history. The pub sign hanging outside the building was introduced in the 14th century. King Richard II decided a sign should replace the earlier medieval practice of a pole or bush posted outside the door. Since most people were illiterate, the names chosen were those easily represented visually. Things like a coat of arms (the freemason’s arms), historical and mythical figures (William IV or the George and Dragon) or heraldic animals were popular names. Believe it or not Red Lion is the most popular pub name today.

Pub etiquette requires you to offer to buy the barman (bartender) a drink instead of leaving a tip. “Time ladies and gentlemen please” means it’s time to go home. The publican (manager or owner) usually starts calling “time” about 10 minutes before closing.

Pubs and inns sell non-alcoholic drinks so even if you don’t drink alcohol, you can enjoy the atmosphere of our lovely old pubs. Seek them out when you are driving in the countryside, some are well off the beaten path, but worth the detour.

Navy Wives Club Presentation

by Kara VanMeter

The Navy Wives Club hosted a lunch for residents of the St. Drostan's Home for the elderly. The lunch was held at the home on August 11. Located in Brechin, St. Drostan's, has been a charity of the Navy Wives for many years.

After lunch Ena Wilkie, secretary for the Wives Club, presented a hand-made bench to the residents. The bench was donated to provide the residents with a reminder of the Navy Wives.

A spokesperson for the residents thanked the club for their years of support. Some of the things mentioned were the annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Birthday cakes, and Bingo. The day was very emotional for those who attended, and even though the club has since disbanded, club members say they plan to keep in touch with the residents until they transfer.



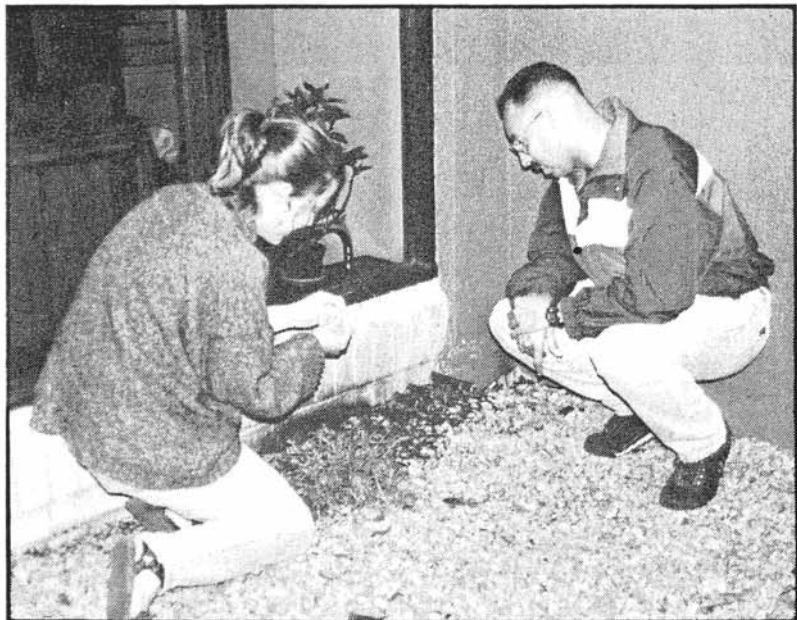
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(above) The Navy Wives Club hosted a lunch for residents of the St. Drostan's Home for the Elderly. This was the last official club visit to the home but members vowed to keep in touch.

The Bat Cave?

Story and photography by
JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Chapel of Faith recently hosted some special guests. Buildings such as churches often attract some species of bats. Most churches are easily accessible to bats because the architecture that allows the bats to roost in the walls. Chapel officials noticed the bats during the month of July and contacted the Scottish Natural Heritage. Bat experts immediately responded and payed a visit to the chapel to check on our friends. Since some species are endangered, all bats and their dwellings are protected, because it's hard to distinguish between the species. The bats were only using the Chapel as a maternity roost and departed during the month of August.



(above) Bat expert from the Scottish National Heritage.

In the Mud

by *LT Sean G. McLaren*

Anticipation and success filled the month of August. Feelings of anticipation for the final match of the season and success in our preparations. We wanted one last Scottish tournament for a warm up. August 17, we got our wish at the Glasgow World Pipe Band Championships and Tug of War tournament. We entered the Scottish Championship for the 660 kilo weight class and a 620 kilo competition. East Kilbride, the dominant team in Scottish competitions this year, won the gold at 660, but Edzell fought for every inch and came away with the bronze medal. At 620 we had several good pulls including an impressive victory over Ayr. We left the field confident in our abilities and ready for our season finale at the Royal Braemar Highland Games on September 7.



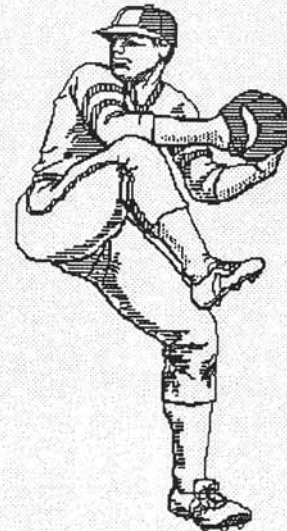
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(above)(from left) Phillip Henderson, Sean McLaren, "Mr. Wonderful" Jinks, Clyde Turner, Christopher O'Rourke, Douglas Ferm, Lyle Olson, and Mark Wegner. (background) Keith Wright.

Softball Season Standings

	W	L
C/O's	8	2
20/32	6	3
35	6	1
DW	4	3
Women	0	7

End of season
standings



XO - Files

It was 0745 on a bleary Monday morning. JO2 Scully had left the office to take the muster report to the admin building. I was trying hard to remain oblivious to everything except the music of coffee perking and the hum of the microwave as it nuked Friday's leftover coffee. A high pitched sneeze upset my caffeine melody. The six that followed shattered it completely. Seven sneezes, only one person that could be, "Good morning LTjg Marhafer," I said as I looked up.

LTjg "Babyface" Marhafer was the boss at Public Works. She had overthrown the previous regime in a bloodless coup. The official report said her predecessor had been "transferred".

"Hey, LT Mulder how are you?" she asked.

"Well as the death row inmate who received a stay of execution on the big day said, better than expected," I responded.

"I hear you've been busy lately."

I started pulling files from my overflowing inbox. "Yes, I've got to look into some bat sightings, the Crombie Caper, and here's one, somebody has been stealing the XO's strawberries."

"Well if there is anything I can do to help, just let me know."

I mumbled a thanks and watched as she left. A coherent thought tried to form in my brain, but the microwave chimed and the subsequent urge for a caffeine infusion shattered the notion before it could congeal. I was chewing my coffee when JO2 Scully returned.

"Hey sir, did you know that we have less than four hundred military

personnel left on base?"

"What?"

"Yes sir, with all the people transferring our numbers are going down."

Transferring. My thoughts solidified faster than a pair of cement shoes. I grabbed the phone and called the Office of Planning.

"Good morning, Petty Officer Glazebrook, male type, OOPS, how may I help you?" said the voice on the other end.

"Petty Officer Glazebrook this is LT Mulder, how many military personnel do we currently have?"

"Well sir, let me check my computer . . . Here it is, three fifty seven."

"That's it!"

"Yes sir, three fifty seven, yeah definitely three fifty seven."

I hung up the phone and tried to do the math. A base that could hold over a thousand people reduced to three fifty seven. Why, that was over four times CTA3 "Superjock" Rizzo's batting average. The numbers didn't add up. I decided to do what I always do when my brain freezes . . . get a java defrost. As I made the trek from my desk to the coffee machine something outside caught my eye. Seven people were walking into one of the buildings in the Public Works compound. A couple of rabbits were intently watching the proceedings. I was chugging fresh coffee and thinking about this when the phone yelled at me. I grabbed it and spouted standard greeting number one into the receiver.

"Sir, this is Petty Officer Glazebrook, I was looking at the numbers and the computer now shows only three hundred fifty people."

The java defrost kicked in and numbers slipped through cracks in the ice. $357-7=350$. I dropped the phone and ran to the window. The compound was empty except for rabbits. Icebergs broke away from my mental glacier. People disappearing into the Public Works compound. Cranial warming melted the icebergs. A centrally located barbed wire compound. Thoughts bubbled through the icy sludge. THEY were abducting people, storing them in a secret facility inside Public Works, and doing who knows what to them. That meant LTjg Marhafer was involved. She must be a spy, trying to get into my good graces to find out what I knew about THEY. Too bad I had figured out their diabolical scheme, now to expose them. It would take some work, but I had a plan.



NSGA Edzell's Final Navy Day Ball

by *LT Christopher D. Parker*

The 1996 Navy Day Ball Committee wishes to thank you for all of the support you've shown during fundraising efforts for this year's ball. We've raised over £15,000 to fund the ball and to ensure that you receive "four star" treatment at a minimal cost to military members and civilian employees. Edzell's final ball is at the Aberdeen Treetops Stakis Hotel on October 19.

The purpose of the Navy Day Birthday Ball is to remind ourselves of our Navy's proud heritage and of the honor, courage and personal sacrifices of those who proudly wore the uniform before us. At this year's ball you will be able to participate in some of the best Naval traditions, such as the two-bell ceremony and age-old toasts, while you enjoy the finest cuisine available. Our menu is top notch:

Red or White Table Wine

Rolls and Butter

- Choice of Starter:**
1. *Fresh Poached Scottish Salmon*
 2. *Mushrooms Limousine (garlic, red wine, peppercorn sauce)*
 3. *Perls of Melon and Prawns (Armagnac sauce)*
- Choice of Soup:**
1. *Feather Fowlie (cream of chicken)*
 2. *Vichyssoise (served hot, leek and potato)*
- Choice of Meal:**
1. *Spinach and Mushroom Wellington (tomato sause)*
 2. *Supreme Chicken (cream, sherry, and mushroom sauce)*
 3. *Beef Balmoral (whiskey and wild mushroom sauce)*

Navy Birthday Cake

Coffee and Mints

You are able to reserve hotel rooms, arrange for childcare, book transportation, pick your seats and select a menu for the ball while purchasing tickets. All ticket sales are in the base theater and run through September 6. Come out and help celebrate 221 years of excellence!



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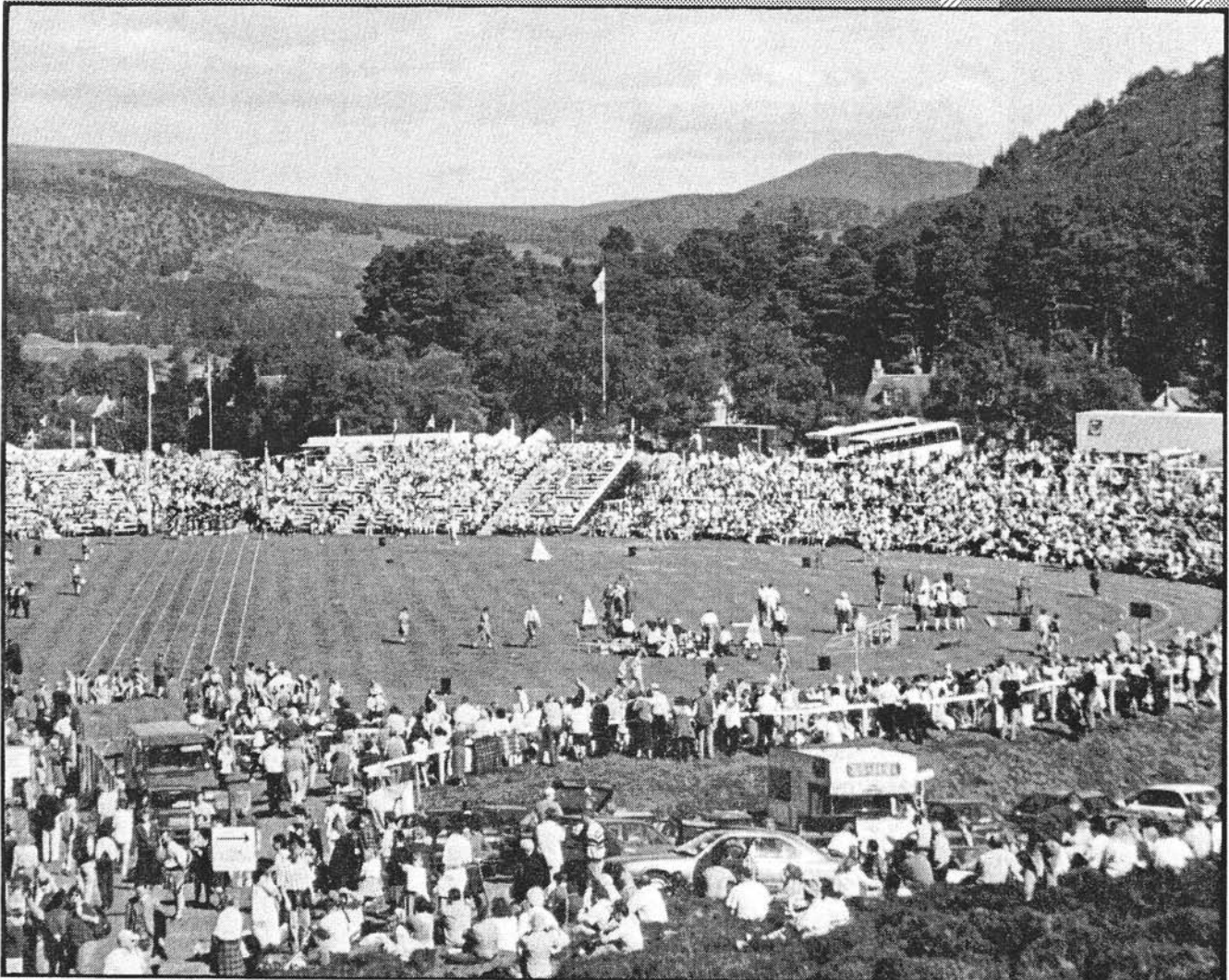
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October

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- 14 - Columbus Day
- 19 - Navy Day Ball
- 24 - United Nations Day
- 27 - Daylight Savings ends
- 31 - Halloween



November

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- 05 - Election Day
- 10 - Marine Corps Birthday
- 11 - Veterans Day
- 14 - Great American Smokeout
- 28 - Thanksgiving
- 28 - Navy Chaplin Birthday

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Happy Holidays

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- 06 - Hanukkah
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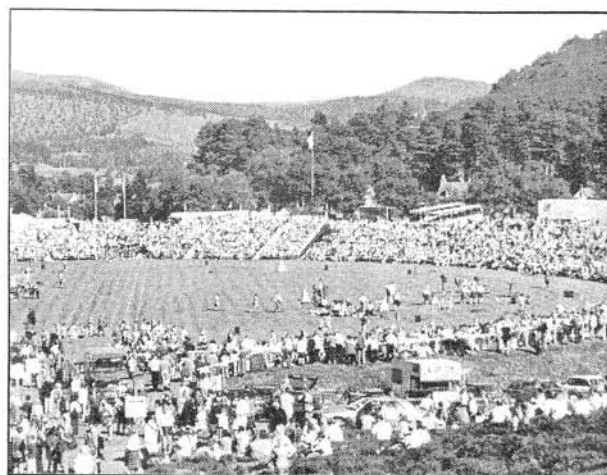
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Quite a crowd was on hand at this years Braemar Games.

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Braemar Games

by Stewart McLaren

The Royal Braemar Gatherings as we know them today have been taking place for 179 years, but the origin of these meetings can be traced back as far as the 8th century.

The incredible background of hills in all directions makes the Princess Royal and Duke of Fife Memorial Park a beautiful and fit spot for a day full of competitions. The various events require a range of talents from the extreme finesse of the highland dancers to the brute strength of the 'Heavies'. The Heavies participate in such events as throwing a 16 lb. ball (surely a forerunner to the shot putt), throwing a 28 lb weight, throwing a 42 lb weight single handed over a bar, throwing a hammer and tossing the caber. It's quite a sight to see a competitor tossing a caber, which could easily be used as a telephone pole.

In between the dancers and the heavies one finds the Tug of War competition. We arrived as the morning mist was beginning to lift from the hills. The day was to be one of fantastic weather - unlike the 1995 Umbrella Games, there was not a single cloud in sight as the games got underway. Such was the setting as the U.S. Navy tug team prepared to pull for a final time at Braemar.



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(above) One of the many Piper contestants. (left) The NSGA Edzell tug team in action. (bottom left) One of the heavies. (bottom center) Highland dance contestants. (bottom right) Tossing the caber.



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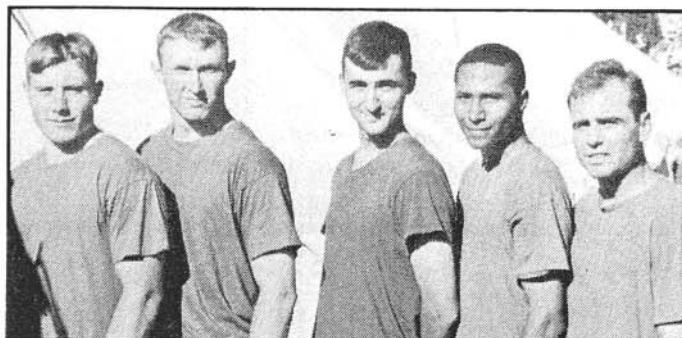
Competitors running on the historic track.

The Tug Team from Edzell was pitted against teams who 'make a living' tugging for their respective regiments. In their first pull the U.S. team won 2-1. The international audience, in excess of 20,000, cheered on their favorites as the teams took up the rope. It was evident that the U.S. team was one of the favorites by the support shown. In the preliminary round they ended up 3rd with a dramatic come from behind victory against the 19th regiment. The first 2 teams went through to the finals while the others went into a sudden death pull in the runners up category. The U.S. team worked extremely well together in a sport where absolute team work is the key to success. After a morning of hard work and some success the American team left the Braemar fields for a final time to a tremendous ovation.

The games continued into the afternoon and it was interesting to watch the 50 participants leave the stadium to tackle the hill climb - up and down Morrone. Again Edzell was well represented as Dan Greenbaum, Jim

Diffell, and Ed Faust left the stadium to battle the hill. The hill climb record of just under 30 minutes remained intact after the first competitor crossed the finish line.

The base medley team had their work cut out for the team running on a round grass track with different distances for each runner. The team performed well and took third place.



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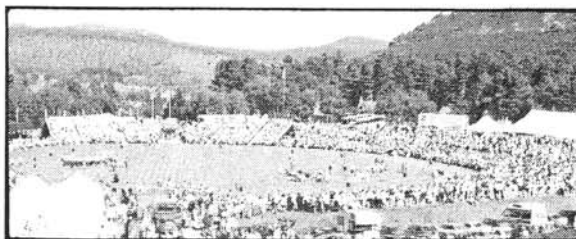
Members of the NSGA Edzell relay team are (left to right) Justin Chapin, Chris Parsell, Todd Gagnon, Gino Brown, and Ed Batchelor

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



CDR Drake accepts a plaque honoring Edzell's participation in the games over the years.

As the athletes left Braemar you sensed a certain sadness knowing they had competed for their base and country at Braemar one final time. It was still a beautiful day and a fitting farewell.



Photography by Stewart McLaren

Over 5,000 people attended this years games

Memory Lane

by SqLdr Steve Bowen

Mrs Mary Mochan took a trip down memory lane recently when she paid a visit to RAF Edzell. Mary, from Dundee, was a member of the Woman's Auxiliary Air Force in the latter stages of the War. However, her connection with the Base is not military but romantic. Women from Dundee were brought to RAF Edzell in bus loads for the Base dances. Although she did not meet her future husband here, she opted for a man from the Senior Service. Mary's visit brought back a lot of special memories.



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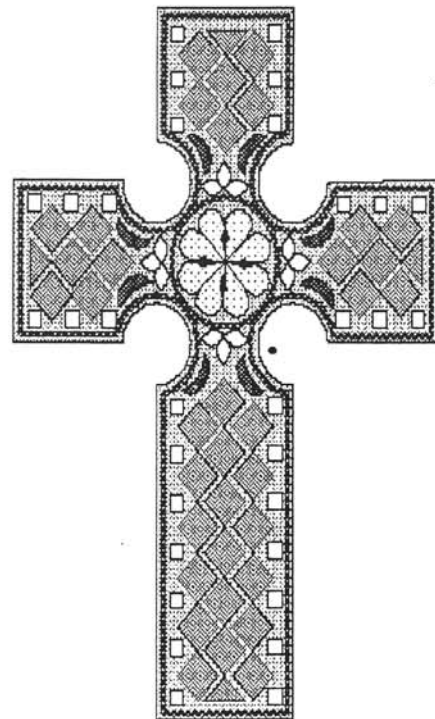
Squadron Leader Bowen and Mrs Mary Mochan in front of the British Vampire jet by the main gate.

Chapel News

by Father Hummer

Protestant Sunday School has now begun, meeting at 0900 each Sunday. The Catholic CCD program will begin on Sunday, October 6 at 1015. For details call the chapel at 642120.

An adult education lunchtime session for Catholics and other interested parties will begin on Wednesday, October 9, at 1145. We will have pizza and then view and discuss a series of video presentations by Bishop Fulton J Sheen, who was a prominent lecturer/entertainer on television in the 1950's. In the late 60's and early 70's, Bishop Sheen returned for a while and these videos reflect the later period. The series presents Bishop Sheen's reflections on being American during a period of great confusion on the national scene. Please call the chapel for details and to reserve a place.



60's and 70's Dance

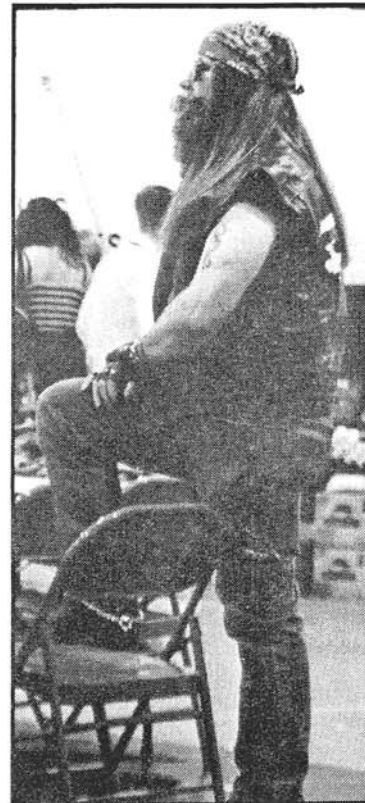
by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

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Sonny and Cher?

Bell bottoms, long hair, sandals, tie-dye shirts and afros were just a few of the sights at NSGA Edzell's second 60's and 70's dance. Music lovers traveled from all over to attend this event. The stars were out in full force as guest appearances were made by The Beatles, a solo Paul McCartney, and yes, Elvis himself! Trivia and best costume contests were held throughout the evening. CDR and Mrs Drake won the best costume award. Ahh, to relive one's youth! Memories of yesteryear were recalled as everyone listened and danced to the music that formed the foundation for Rock and Roll. Rock posters, classic commercial ads, and tie-dyed streamers decorated the walls and set an atmosphere consistent with the times. Fun was had by all as the crowd rocked the night away.



Yo! Anybody seen my Bike?

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins



Dancing the night away



Keep the change.

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

by PH2 Carole Rollman

Sharon Hunter is our new neighborhood chairman and has plans for an exciting, active year. The girl scouts will be doing more community service projects than ever before. The first project has already been completed. Linda Heaton arranged for the girl scouts to clean the main side of the base Sunday, the eighth of September in preparation for the Commemoration Ceremony. On completion of the project,



Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Everyone was dressed in their Sunday best

the girls participated in building their own ice cream sundaes. Yum!! Every month the girl scouts will be participating in some sort of community project, the next scheduled project is the girls spending some time singing, visiting and sharing refreshments with the elderly at Dorward House in Montrose on Sunday the 29th of September. The Brownie troop with a little encouragement from Shona McLeod, have each drawn a special greeting card to give to the residents. The afternoon promises to be enjoyable and rewarding for all those attending.

The girls have already started their fundraising efforts. The first fundraiser was headed up by Fiona Wojcik and Lesly Willis who arranged for the girls to sell baked goods and Hawaiian Sparkler drinks at NSGA Edzell's car boot sale on August 24th. All of the girls present enjoyed the day of sunshine and making the sparkler drinks for their customers. One of the girls

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More tea?

favorite activities was the basis for the second fund raiser, the Bike-A-Thon. The girls raised money through a sponsored four mile bike ride. Yes, some of the girls did get a little tired, but they all had fun. The girl scout leaders are proud of the effort displayed by each and every girl scout. Both fundraisers were very successful.

Now on to the fun stuff... Linda and Sharon organized a Teddy Bear Tea Party on September the 1st. A group of volunteers decorated the Ship's Inn with a rainbow color scheme, hanging balloons and paper streamers to brighten the atmosphere for the party. Mr and Mrs Chambers provided the delicious and most appreciated finger foods. The apparel each girl wore was her best



Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett

All the teddy bears were in attendance.

Sunday dress accessorized with her teddy bear! All the ingredients for a fun filled afternoon. The girl scouts also get to look forward to the upcoming field trip to Butlins Amusement Park on Friday the 11th of October.

(left) The starting line of the Bike-a-thon.

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



CUB SCOUT OLYMPICS

Story and photography by CTMI Jim Hinrichs

The Edzell Cub Scout Pack 585 Olympics was held on 31 August, 1996. The event was attended by the 24 Cub scouts of Edzell and 3 local Cub Scout packs. The boys competed in various events, the Welly Boot toss, Sack races, Tug of War, Long Jump, Caber Tossing and much more. Every scout who participated in the events received an award. Pack 585 would like to thank the all of the people who helped and offer a special thanks to the events coordinator, Mrs. Sexton.



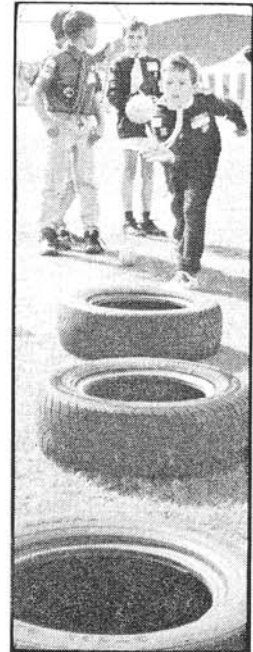
Is this Edzell's next Tug of War team?



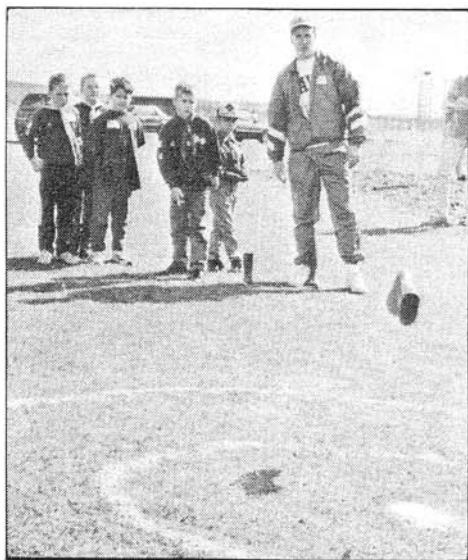
Tricycle race



Long Jump



Precision Softball throw



The Welly Boot toss

(above) The boys of Edzell Cub Scout pack 585.
(right) The Caber toss.



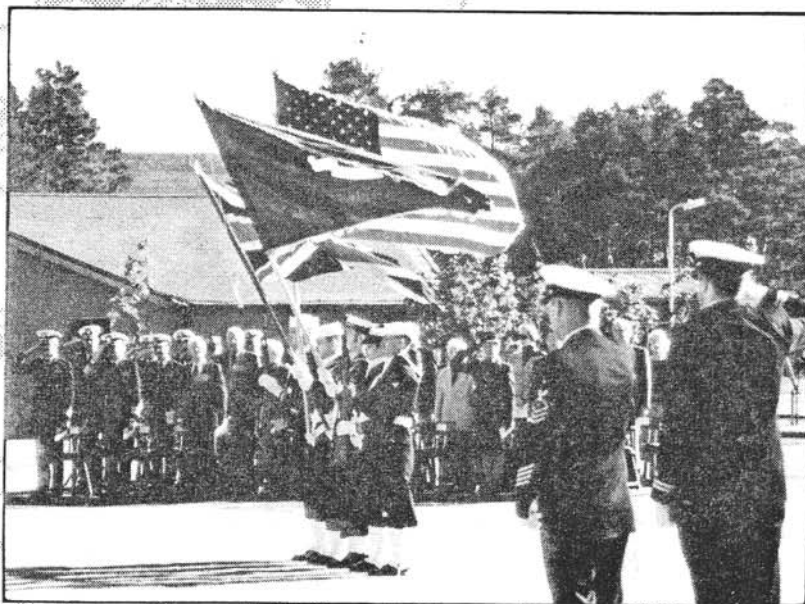
A View from the Stands

by Stewart McLaren

Sitting in the packed stands waiting to witness the Commemoration Ceremony at the Naval Security Group Activity in Edzell Scotland, you could sense a strong feeling of finality.

The service conducted on Friday, September 13, was blessed by both Father Hummer and Mother Nature. Mother Nature was extremely gracious giving the crowd a beautiful September day. The combination of brisk winds, and bright sun was the bitter sweet setting for the official Ceremony.

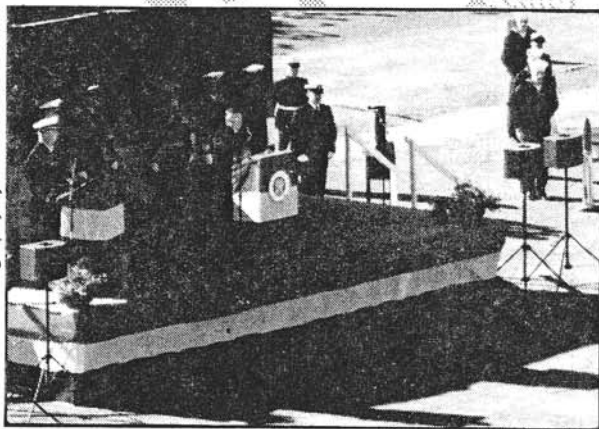
The Commanding Officer, Commander Philip D. Ray said how proud he was to serve with his troops and mentioned how prior to coming he had heard



The RAF Edzell Color guard.

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Father Hummer delivers the benediction.



A crowd of over 600 filled the stands

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

what a great duty station it was and now he knew why. He added that although he and his troops were leaving Scotland, "Scotland would never leave them." Rear Admiral Thomas F. Stevens, Commander Naval Security Group spoke about the role the base played during the 'cold war' and thanked the local people for their hospitality.

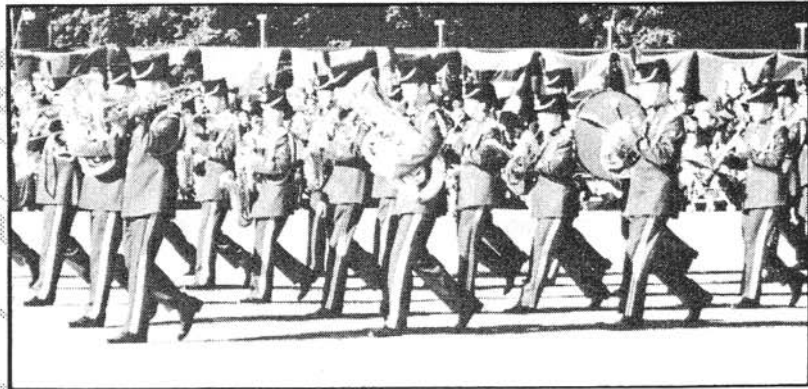
Lord Arbuthnott reminisced about his association with the base. In his charming manner he described the tremendous relationships that have developed between base personnel and the local community. He chose two stories from his experiences and spoke pleasantly about times gone by.

The Montrose Legion Pipe Band and the Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment performed a variety of tunes. The audience enjoyed both the sound of the pipes and the precision

performance of the RAF Band. The lone piper playing Amazing Grace as a Nimrod Jet from the Royal Air Force flew over seemed a fitting end to the ceremony.

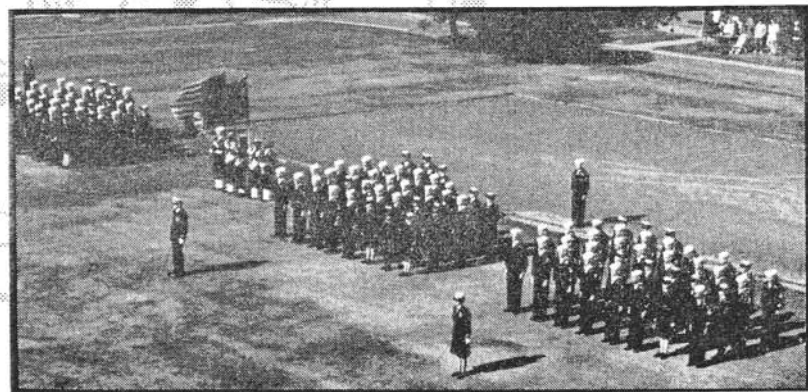
After the service the dignitaries and the audience exchanged pleasantries and memories as the morning chill gave way to a beautiful hot afternoon. The final U.S. base in Scotland said it's official good bye to the people and country who they have come to know and love.

That the U.S. Naval Base at Edzell has done its part in helping to preserve peace throughout the world, what could be more fitting than quoting Robert Burns who so many years ago wrote:

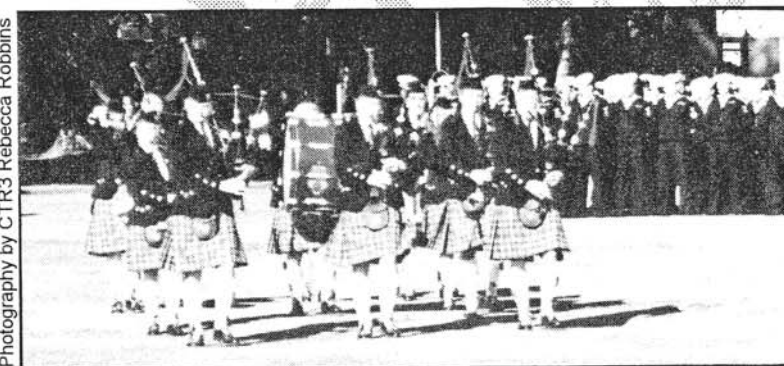


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(above) The Band of the Royal Air Force Regiment performed with precision marching and flawless playing. (below) A birds eye view of the sailors of NSGA Edzell and color guard in formation.



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"Then let us pray that come it may

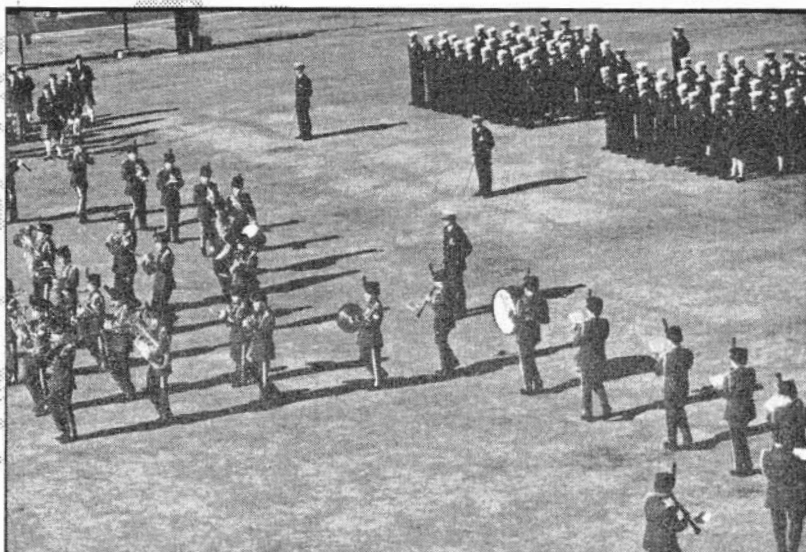
As come it will for a' that.

That man to man the world o'er

Shall brothers be for a' that."

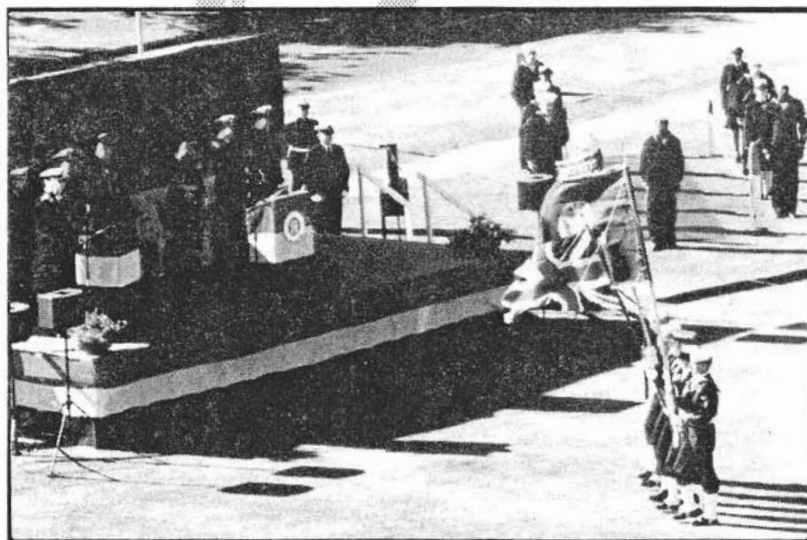
The Montrose Legion Pipe Band brought the flavor of Scotland to the ceremony as well as a sentimental tear to many an eye.

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(top left) Many visiting dignitaries attended the ceremony. (above) The band of the Royal Air Force Regiment performing during the ceremony. (left) Saluting the Colors. (bottom left) Some of NSGA Edzell's Officers at parade rest. (bottom right) The Montrose Legion Pipe Band marching onto the field.

Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

Chief Petty Officer Promotions

by *CTRCM Hal Patton, CMC*

No matter where you go or who you talk to in any of the armed forces, everyone agrees that advancements are always exciting. But in no other service or paygrade does advancement from E-6 to E-7 bring about such a dramatic change in responsibility and life-style than metamorphosis from First Class Petty Officer to Chief Petty Officer. We congratulate four of our command members who were recently frocked to the rank of Chief Petty Officer and our one Air Force Technical Sergeant (selected for Master Sergeant) who also endured the rigors of the initiation process to become an Honorary Chief Petty Officer. They were PNC(SW/AW) Charles Hunter, CTCR Robert Seay, CTTC Norma Skipper, CTTC(AW) Dennis Erwin and TSGT Daniel Greenbaum. The new chiefs worked hard during the pre-initiation activities as they went through leadership training, physical training, interpersonal skills and the CPO indoctrination course of instruction. All training emphasized the Navy Core Values of "HONOR, COMMITMENT AND COURAGE."

All of their hard work culminated 16 September, when the selectees participated in the time-honored tradition known as initiation day - as they were welcomed into the ranks of Chief Petty Officer. The initiation was followed by the traditional "pinning on" ceremony as the new chiefs were presented their anchors and new covers. The "Boot" Chiefs had a chance to show off their new uniforms at the "Khaki Ball" on 21 September. Congratulations and many years of success to all the new Chiefs.



(From left) CTTC(AW) Erwin, TSgt Greenbaum, CTTC Skipper, PNC(SW/AW) Hunter, CTCR Seay. Congratulations!

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Promotions

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(left) LTJG McCaffrey gets his bars pinned on by LCDR Knowles. (above) ENS Hunter gets the Bull Bars from LTJG McCaffrey.

Medals and Awards

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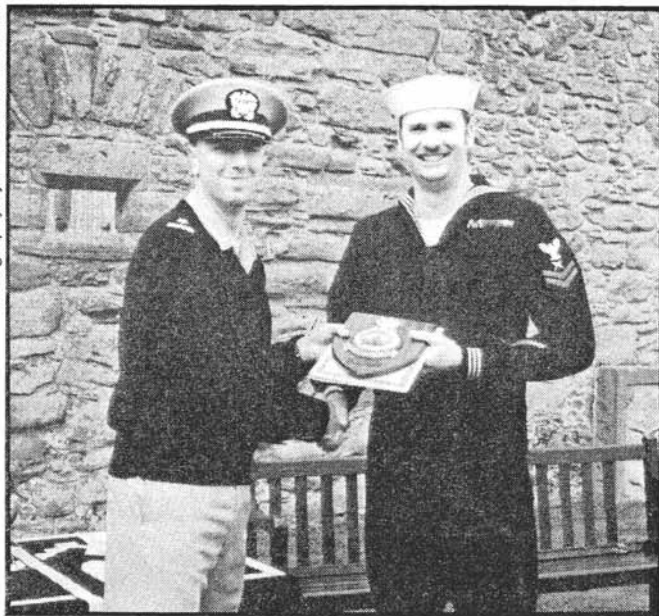
(left - right) First row - CTR3 Dionne Ellington, CTR3 Rebecca Robbins, CTMCM Michael Sparks, NCC Wojcik, CTT1 Deborah Roche, CTO3 Traci Miller. Second row - CTR2 Scott Kist, CTR3 Jason Vernon, SK3 Kevin Pistone, CTR3 Yovonka Jackson, CTR3 Melinda Pyne, CTI1 James Bradley. Third row - CTASN James Legg, CTT2 Robert Roche, CTM2 Darren Smith, SK2 Douglas Ferm, CTT1(SW) Rafael Camacho, CTM2 John T. Murray.

Reenlistments This Month



by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



During the month of September 1996, the following NSGA Edzell personnel reenlisted or extended for a minimum of two years.

CTM2 Daniel Robbins

CTM1 Lyle Olson

CTM2 Rob Hoskins

CTR2 Jeffery Taylor

CTT2 Jason Roach

Congratulations, smooth sailing and thanks for deciding to *STAY NAVY!*

(left) CTM2 Daniel Robbins was reenlisted by LTJG (then Ensign) McCaffrey at Edzell Castle.

NMCB 40 Det Leaves



The first Seabee Det arrived at RAF Edzell in Aug., 1972. The last will leave in Sept. 1996. A plaque was made to commemorate the last Seabee Det to leave Raf Edzell. The plaque was made in the shape of a shield with the Seabee logo mounted on the Seabee Tartan by BU1 Koch. A Brass plate with the name, place, dates of first and last Dets, and the words "The Best for Last" is inscribed on each one.



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(left - right) Front row - CM2 Baker, BUCN Billiot, CECS (SCW) Pine, CE3 Bell. Second row - BU1 (SCW) Koch, UT3 Baumgartner, BUCN Carson, CE3 Butler, UTCN Conary.

Don't forget your pet

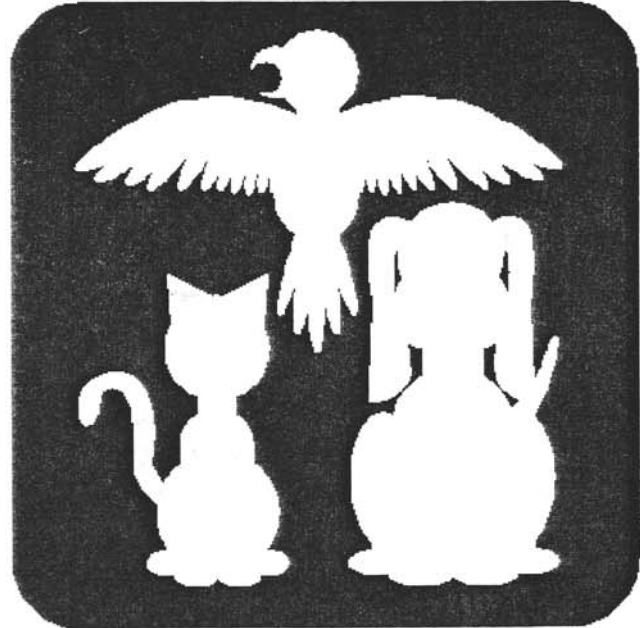
by ETI John Brull

Moving away from a place you called home for a few years creates chaos, confusion and concern. If you are a pet owner you also bear a special responsibility. As the last U.S. Navy base in Scotland winds down operations and begins to transfer people away, I would like to inform you of occurrences at NAVCOMSTA Thurso and Site 1 at Holy Loch when they closed and give you possible options.

After the Americans left Holy Loch the local community was inundated with close to 200 animals that were left behind. Some were found roaming the waterfront and streets, some were found sitting on the back steps of the houses they used to live in, and some were found tied up to fences on back roads. There are many such scenarios, some more inhumane than others. In Thurso pets didn't fare any better.

In the UK, the Scottish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SSPCA) plays a major part in caring for abused and abandoned animals. They also inflict severe court fines of over £1,000 on people that have mistreated or abandoned their pets as 13 people from Holy Loch can attest to. Yes, The SSPCA traced down 13 American servicemembers and notified their commands. Up in Thurso the SSPCA had to break into a shed on a property that an American had rented to save 21 starving and dying cats and kittens. These sad events could have been avoided.

If you are a pet owner and for whatever reason you don't want to take your pet back to the states, there are alternate and humane solutions for you. First, try advertising your pet. Local stores and pets shops will gladly let you put a advert up in their window and some even



have boards set up so you can put a 3 X 5 card on it. In some places they might charge you but the expense should be under a pound and in most cases no more than 20 to 50 pence. The Brechin Advertiser lets anyone place an ad for free if the value of what you are selling is under £50. Veterinary clinics also usually have a notice/for sale board.

Secondly, the SSPCA can take small pets, (birds, gerbils, hamsters) and help you place dogs and cats. They request that you contact them as early as possible because they need time to find new homes. The SSPCA's phone number is 01241-873480.

Finally, there are kennels and dog and cat homes in the area that will take a pet and try to find it a good home. The Aberdeen Dog and Cat Home at 01224-483624, and Brown Street Kennels, Dundee at 01382-432100 are two places in the area.



CAR BOOT SALE

Story and photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

The Car Boot Sale on August 24th, was one of the last fundraisers the Navy Day Ball Committee is doing for the Navy Day Ball (NDB). Members of the committee have worked very hard to make this the best Navy Day Ball that NSGA Edzell has ever had. MSCS May, CTRCS Williams, CTT2 Colon, Mr G. Crighton, and CTO2 Pristas arrived at empty softball fields at 0700 to set up the hot dog and hamburger booth. CTTC Knudson, CTA2 Hering, CTA2 Sims, CTO2 Perez and HM3 Seidel were there to set up the donut sales tent. The Auxiliary Security Force also reported to work to help with crowd control.

The 185 private vendors and 15 professional vendors started arriving at 0830. Ministry of Defense Police clocked the number of cars attending the car boot sale at 1,200 and the people visiting around 3 1/2 thousand. By 1400 the NDB committee had totally sold out of their food and raised \$2,500, making this another successful event.



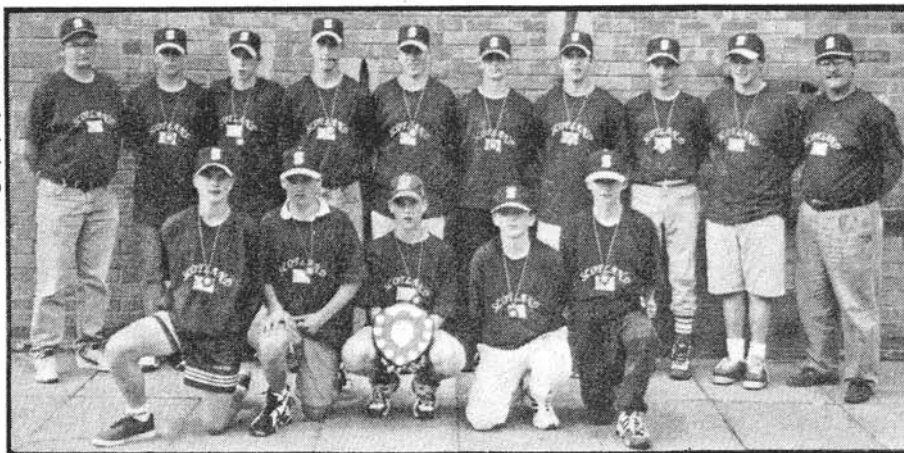
A wide variety of items were offered.

Scotland Wins Tournament

by Jim Outlaw

On August 24th and 25th the British Baseball Federation (BBF) conducted it's inaugural Youth Four Nations Tournament in Leeds, England. Teams of 13 to 15 year olds from Scotland, England, Ireland and the United States were represented at the two day round robin tournament. Scotland swept the tournament with a perfect 3-0 record followed by England, the United States and Ireland, all with a 1-2 record. Scotland began the tournament with a 24-7 victory over England on Saturday followed by back-to-back game victories on Sunday over the U.S. team (the local team at RAF Menwithill) 19-8 and 30-13 over the Ireland team. Three members of the Scotland National team and the team's manager are from RAF Edzell. Derek Willis, Jonathan Sparks and Chris Outlaw were chosen for the team through a try out process along with 11 Scottish players from BBF Scotland Youth League teams in Dundee, Aberdeen and Edinburgh. Derek and Jonathan play for the Aberdeen Reds while Chris plays for the Dundee Dragons. All three were key contributors in the victories. Derek lead the team in batting with a .714 average followed closely by Chris with a .556 and Jonathan with a .333 average. The team was managed by Jim Outlaw, who also manages the Dundee Dragons.

Photography by Jim Outlaw



(photo left) Team Scotland. (back row from left) Brian Edwards, Jonathan Sparks, John Young, Mark Bearne, Wayne Harvey, Derek Willis, Kevin Smith, David Farr, Chris Outlaw and Jim Outlaw. (front row from left) Gareth Hare, Matt MacLaughlin, Neil Bearne, Ross Norsworthy, and Mike Steed.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

by CTA3 Ray Rizzo

September 7th was a big football day for two personnel from NSGA Edzell. After seven months of practice and eight games, the defending champion Glasgow Lions and the Stirling Broncos were playing for the championship of the Scottish-American Gridiron Football League. A handful of base personnel played in this league, most playing for the Fife 49ers. It was the first year of play for CTR2 Chapin and CTA3 Rizzo who played with Stirling and CTM3 Snead, CTAC(AW) Moody, CTR3 Moyer and Sgt Bennett who all played with Fife and

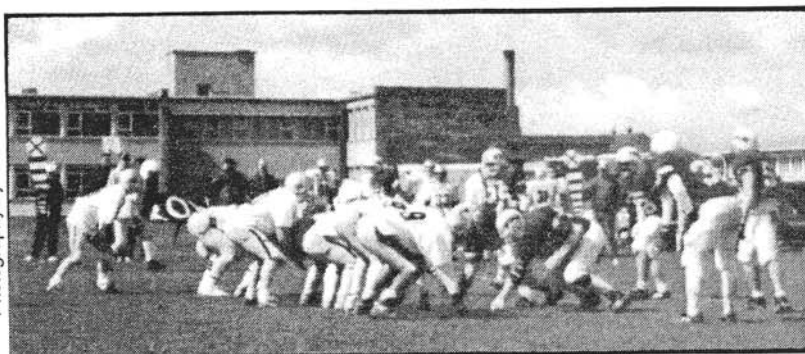


Photography by CTO3 Lisa Fischer

CTA3 Ray Rizzo congratulates a team mate after a big play.

CTM2 Couch who played with Dundee. Fife went 6-1 on their way to a second place finish behind undefeated Glasgow and Stirling finished 6-3 and won their division. The season had a lot of excitement, CTR2 Chapin finished with 460 yards rushing in only five games of play, CTM3 Snead won the interception contest beating CTA3 Rizzo, six to four. Fife met with Stirling in the playoffs to see who would meet the defending champions. Due to league policies Stirling was spotted a 21 point lead for this game. The Americans wanted a chance to play against each other and this game was finally it. Stirling struck first and built a comfortable first half lead behind Chapin's rushing and Stirling's stifling defense. The second had a different outlook as Fife's offense and defense came alive, while Stirling's defense sputtered. Midway through the third quarter CTA3 Rizzo strained a groin muscle and had to watch the rest of the game from the sideline. Up by six in the fourth quarter Stirling struck the winning blow when Chapin swept right and ran 40 yards for a touchdown. Fife fought back, but Stirling emerged victorious and ready to face Glasgow.

"Superbowl" Sunday was a perfect day for football; it was cold, overcast and rainy. Stirling scored first on a touchdown pass and was up 6-0 at the end of the first quarter. Glasgow couldn't believe it, here was a team they beat 70-0 and they were losing to them. That changed in the second quarter when Stirling's offense started to sputter and Glasgow took advantage of it. Chapin, a 100 yard rusher against Fife had no room to run while Glasgow ran crazy. Down 24-6 Stirling tried to rally with a goal line stand. On third down Glasgow threw a jump ball in the corner of the end zone that Rizzo almost picked off. Turning back to the ground Glasgow was stuffed on fourth down. Unfortunately, Stirling's offense turned the ball back over to Glasgow. The fourth quarter saw some sloppy play, which Glasgow capitalized on, scoring 30 points in route to a 60-6 victory. The season was long and tiring but fun. For many it was the first time they played full contact football since high school. Chapin and Rizzo ended the season by having some friends down to watch the kickoff of the NFL season.



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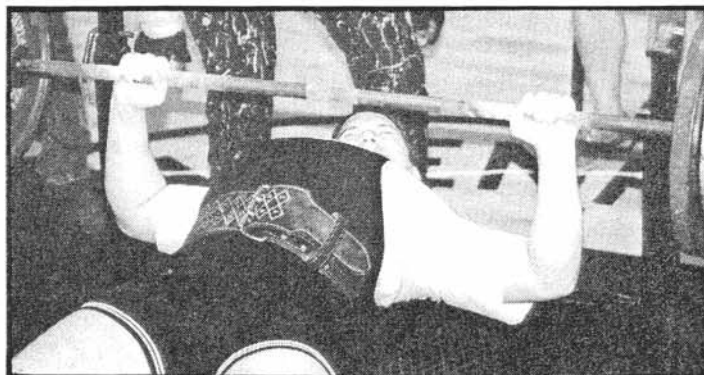
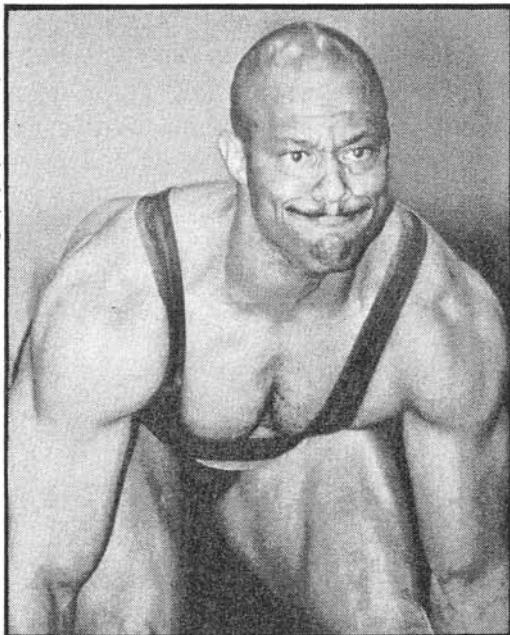
CTR2 Justin Chapin (#24) and the rest of Sterling's defence prepare for an upcoming play during a game against Edinburgh in the season opener. The team went on to win the game 6-0.

1996 USAFE Powerlifting Championship

by CTT2 Gary Davis

The 1996 USAFE Powerlifting Championship was held at RAF Lakenheath, England. Participants traveled from all over Europe for the annual event to showcase their talents. For the first time competitors from RAF Edzell participated in the competition. The Competition consisted of three events; the Squat, the Bench press, and the Deadlift. Each contestant was allowed 3 attempts per event with the best lift being recorded. The best lift from each event (total weight) was accumulated giving a total score for placement. Though competition was stiff, CTAC Moody, CTT2 Davis, and CTRSN Klingsmith fared quite well. CTAC Moody placed second in the men's 110 kg. category while CTT2 Davis placed second in the 100 kg. category. The competition was enjoyed by all and very professionally run. Edzell's 3 participants would like to thank the Command for their support. CTAC Moody will recreate the atmosphere on 16 Oct. from 1100-1300 by directing the RAF Edzell Powerlifting Competition. He encourages all to attend and those who do lift to participate.

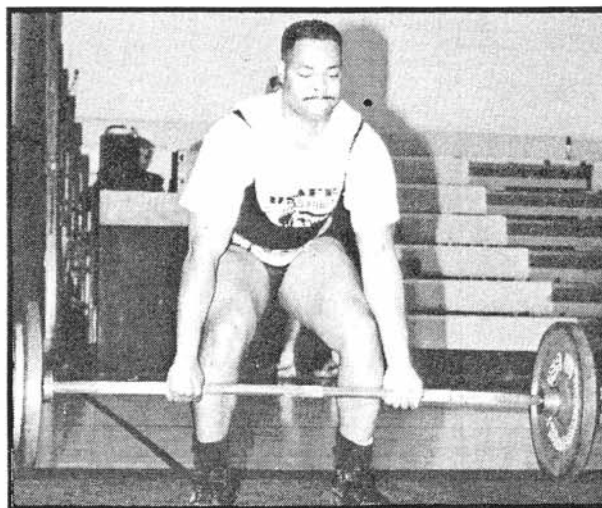
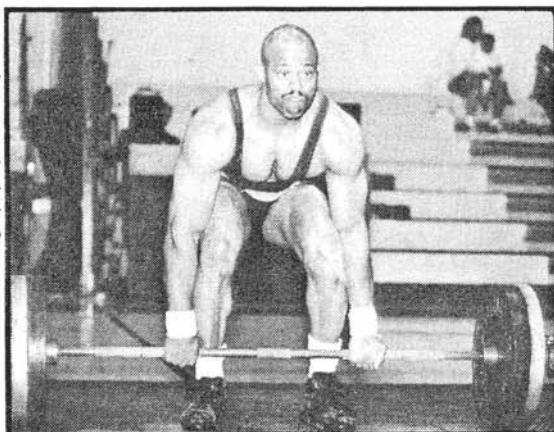
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(above) CTRSN Klingsmith doing the bench press. (top left) CTAC Moody building up a head of steam for his lift. (bottom left) CTAC Moody preparing to deadlift. (bottom right) CTT2 Davis during his lift.

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XO - Files

SUBJECT: DISAPPEARANCE OF LT MULDER

This report concerns LT Mulder's disappearance. The information contained herein is compiled from his notes and the observations of his coworkers.

LT Mulder was assigned to two cases. Case number 914938: Press coverage for personnel transfers and case number 880942: XO's missing strawberries. He was known to be working on his own on several "cases" he called the XO files. LT Mulder's disappearance was first noted on Monday September 16th when he failed to show up for work. He was last seen on Friday the 13th at 1230 running around the base screaming "I said flyover not fly next to."

The following notes were found on notepads on LT Mulder's desk:

Plan one: Buy all the coffee in the commissary, all normal humans will cease to function within two days, all those who still are productive after two days would be exposed as aliens. (This plan was lined out and nothing left was written beside it)

Plan two: Wait until dark, sneak inside housing complex, find secret entrance and take photographs of the inside layout, exposing true nature of complex.

Plan three: Infiltrate Executive Steering Committee meetings. THEY will try to place agents as close to the command leadership as possible. Any who disagree with the XO will be added to the suspect list.

Another note pad had the following information listed under the title SUSPECT LIST.

LT Hummer: Recent troubles on golf course and rumor suggesting he might quit playing golf are further evidence of behavior modification.

LT Kelly: Always beware of lawyers prone to smiling.

Medical Department: Involved in experiments with DNA, mysterious hamstermobile.

Tug team: Season is officially over, is this a ploy to throw off my investigation into the true purpose of these bruisers.

LTjg Marhafer: Spy?

All officers: Easily converted to agents of THEY. Used to being brainwashed and abrupt changes in personality or actions would be dismissed as normal behavior.

A second heading on the same page was TO BE INVESTIGATED written underneath it were the following:

Bizarre rituals at the Ship's Inn involving the entire Chief Petty Officer community.

Reports of ET's taking over Public Works (this was circled)

Food disappearing from Commissary, THEY could be stockpiling food reserves.

A file on his computer contained the following information:

The unexplained events occurring at NSGA Edzell indicate a worldwide conspiracy to hide the truth. Simple, reasonable explanations are being substituted for the complex reality of the real world. Clouds in the sky are taken as harbingers of rain or simple collections of moisture. People are unwilling to look beyond this "reasonable" truth and see that clouds are used to hide the UFO's that are flying over Edzell with alarming frequency. The noise from the UFO's is being dismissed as fighter jets doing training runs. Occasionally fighter jets can be seen doing actual training runs to further the deception. The truth is way out there.

LT Mulder's whereabouts remain unknown. While it is unusual for him to be absent from work, his obsession with finding complex explanations for ordinary events may have led him on a bizarre investigation. It is my conclusion that he is investigating one of his XO files cases.



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- 28 - Thanksgiving
- 28 - Navy Chaplin Birthday

December

Happy Holidays

- 01 - World AIDS Day
- 06 - Hanukkah
- 13 - National Guard Birthday
- 25 - Christmas Day
- 26 - Boxing Day
- 31 - New Years Eve

Happy Holidays!



January

BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION/
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER BLOOD
DONOR MONTH

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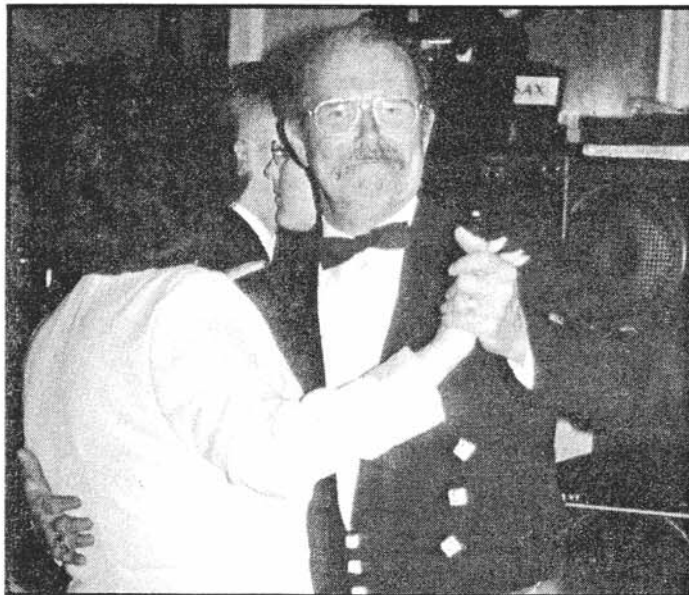
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Navy Day Ball

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The United States Navy celebrated its 221st birthday on October 13. Since establishment in 1775, the Navy has played a major part in the defense of our nation and its allies. With scientific and technological advances, today's Navy is paving the way for a brighter more challenging future. For 221 years the Navy has been changing. It has been growing and becoming more prepared to meet the needs of tomorrow's Sailors. That is why we celebrate, to honor change, history, and the hope that tomorrow's Navy continues to serve with pride and dignity.

On October 19, NSGA Edzell held a final Navy Day Birthday Ball at the Treetops Stakis Hotel in Aberdeen. Members of the command chose to celebrate in traditional Scottish/



CTRCM (RET) Robert "Bubba" Owens, former Command Master Chief for NSGA Edzell, returned to attend final Navy Day Ball.



American fashion arriving in kilts as well as Service Dress Blues.

This year's Ball was filled with Navy tradition. All guests were seated at 6:45 p.m. anxiously awaiting the arrival of the head table. After the Piping-in of the head table, the presentation of Colors, and the Invocation, a touching POW/MIA ceremony was performed for fallen comrades not able to attend the Birthday Ball. A brief moment of silence was held before dinner was served.

The command's youngest Sailor, CTOSN Derek Christensen, the oldest Sailor, CTOCM Gary Willis, and CAPT Phil Ray, performed the traditional Cake Cutting Ceremony. CAPT Ray then briefly addressed the crowd before introducing the guest speaker, CTOCM(AW) Penny Tardona, the Force Master Chief for Naval Security Group. Master Chief Tardona reflected on past experiences and challenged the group to



(photo top left) NSGA Edzell's youngest Sailor, CTOSN Derek Christensen, assists CTOCM Gary Willis, to the dance floor for the Cake Cutting Ceremony. (photo left) (from left) MSgt Ken Grant, Keri Baker, Barbie Malkmus and Paul Malkmus enjoy the festivities.

embrace the Navy's core values and become a part of the Navy's great heritage.

Champagne toasts honored, Queen Elizabeth II, The President of the United States, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, fallen and missing comrades, and the United States Navy. The attention of the crowd was then directed to the "Diplomats" (COMSIXTHFLT Band), who provided a variety of dance music throughout the remainder of the evening. CTRCS DeWayne Williams said, "It (NSGA Edzell's final Navy Day Ball) was the best one I've ever been to!"

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



(photo right) Ball-goers (from left) CTTC (RET) G.W. Skipper Jr., CTR3 Kevin Marsh and JO2 Melanie Barnett, find this year's Cake Cutting Ceremony a bit humorous. (center) CTM1 Timothy Cleary, CTM1 William Sutton and wife prepare to dine. (bottom left) CTM2 Diana Chernicky and husband Brian find a cozy spot on the crowded dance floor to enjoy the music of the "Diplomats." (bottom right) PN2 Jose Lopez, Nancy Lopez and Sharon Hunter pose for a photo.



Galley Prepares Birthday Meal

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Over 260 people gathered at the Highland Galley October 17, for a special meal prepared in celebration of the Navy's 221st birthday. MSC Amanda Brown, Leading Mess Specialist for the Galley said the meal went very well. "This is our job, it's what we do and it's always a highlight when we have the opportunity to show off our expertise," said Chief Brown. The meal serves two purposes, it is a Navy wide-tradition to prepare special meals for the Navy Birthday and a time for the MS community to shine.

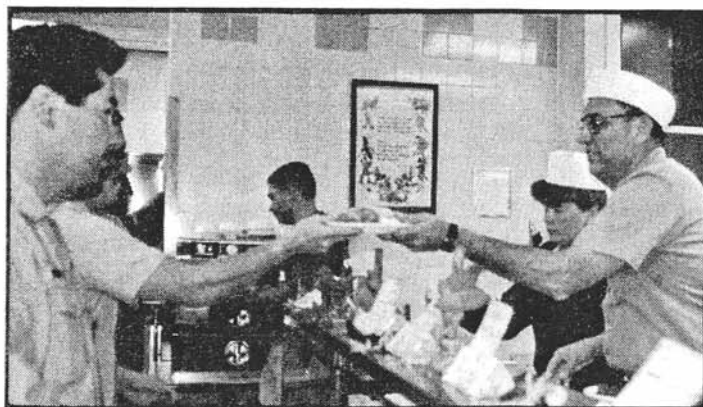
Members of the Chief Petty Officer's community took this opportunity to show gratitude for the daily support they receive from junior personnel. Chief's were on hand to serve food and assist patrons with trays.

The success of the birthday meal is

attributed to galley personnel, said Chief Brown, because we do good food here and people know that. Anyone who missed the opportunity to enjoy the meal can join the galley staff for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



(photo bottom left) Over 260 members of the base community gathered at the galley. (top left) The CTOCM Gary Willis assists galley personnel. (top right)(from left) CTM3 Chris Davenport and SSgt Leroy Bennett pig out. (bottom right) SKC Michael Roberts carries trays for patrons.



Navy Wives Club Dinner

by Kara Van Meter

The Navy Wives Club hosted its final awards dinner September 28 at the Ship's Inn. The Edzell chapter of the Navy Wives Club of America, which was chartered in 1963, officially concluded its activities at the gala event. Some distinguished guests present were CDR and Mrs. Drake, Squadron Leader and Mrs. Bowen, and Mr. George Hutchinson whose wife Ada was one of the club's founding members. CDR Drake and Kara Van Meter, President of the Navy Wives Club, gave speeches before the presentations. A life-time membership award was presented to longtime member Ena Wilkie, a resident of Laurencekirk, who has devoted thousands of hours to Navy Wives charity functions. The farewell dinner ended tearfully as Mrs. Hutchinson's husband was presented with her Navy Wives club pins.

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



A check was presented to the Old Age Pensioners house by the Navy Wives Club.



(photo left) Mrs Ena Wilkie receives her award. (right) Mrs. Stefanie Mateik receives her award pin from Mrs. Jean Drake.



(photo left) Husbands and wives stand as they recite the Pledge of allegiance. (right) Mrs. Kara Van Meter receives her award from Mrs. Jean Drake



Girl Scouts

by PH2 Carole Rollman

On September 29, NSGA Edzell's girl scouts serenaded the elderly at Dorward House. The girls sang a few of their favorite songs which included "The Color Yellow Makes Me Happy," the girl scout's version of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands," and the "Girl Scout Friendship Song." Each patient with a birthday in the month of September was treated to their own personalized version of "Happy Birthday." After the birthday songs everyone received a slice of birthday cake to finish off the

celebrations. The girls ended the afternoon by singing the "Girl Scout Friendship Song." The patients and girls alike enjoyed the performance. Mr. Willie Johnston gave a special speech thanking the girls for everything they have done with Dorward House throughout the past 30 years.

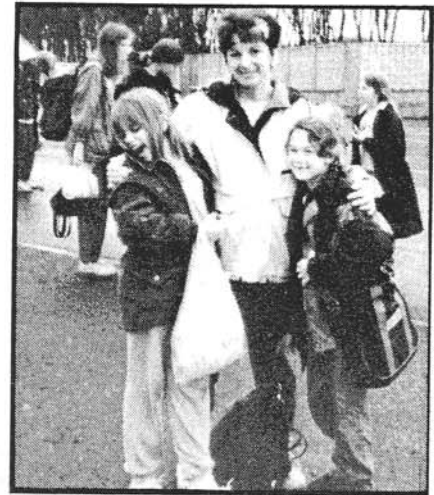


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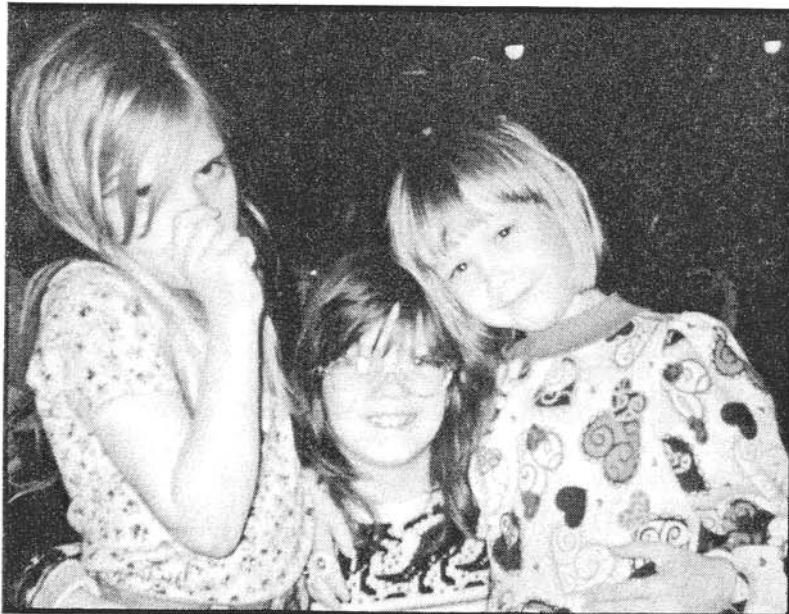
(photo top right) Chief Clyde Turner watches as daughter Melissa Turner and Amanda Olson hand out birthday cards to some of the residents. (above) Stephanie Jensen displays the community birthday cake. (right) The girls sing "Happy Birthday" to individuals celebrating during the month.



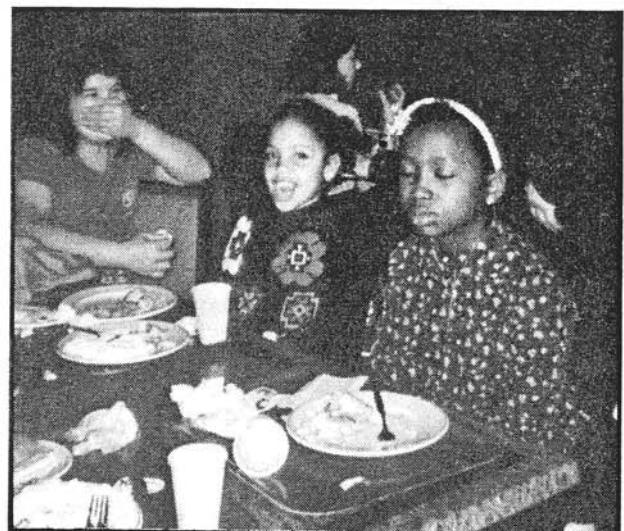
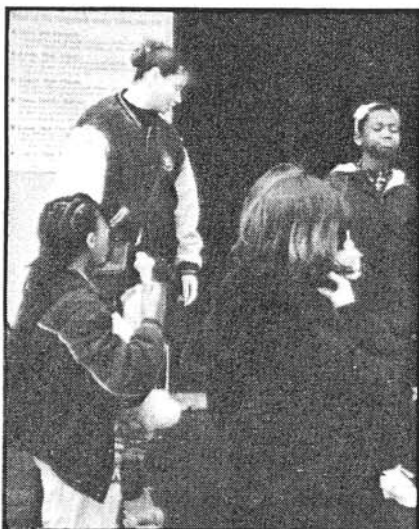
October 11, 31 girl scouts and seven adult leaders left on a trip to Butlin's Amusement Park. The park is located in Ayr, Scotland. After five hours on the road, the bus finally reached the park and everyone was able to get settled for the night. The road trip built up quite an appetite so before climbing into bed the girls enjoyed some midnight snacks. When the snacks were eaten the girls climbed into bed, only to awaken at 0700 for breakfast. The rest of the long weekend was filled with all kinds of activities ranging from swimming, shopping, watching movies, watching plays, dancing, singing, and riding all different kinds of amusement park rides. Getting tired yet? On Monday the 14th, all 31 girls and seven leaders were back on the bus headed back to Edzell with one pit stop at McDonald's. Everyone arrived back at Edzell around 1800.



(above photo) Leslie Willis has her hands full with Lorena Parker and Brittney Troy. (center from left) Katrina Barnes, Lisa Rollman and Katie Weires enjoy a group hug. (bottom left) Nancy Lopez escorts the Girls Scouts to lunch after a morning at "Fun Land." (bottom right) Stephanie Lopez teases Ciarra Hunter who sneaks a catnap at the dinner table.



Photography by Sharon Hunter



Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s

Navy Achievement Medals

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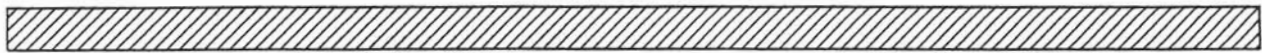


LTJG Eve Marhafer being congratulated after receiving the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



CTT2 Norman Kendrick accepting the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal.



Advancements

Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman



During a small promotion ceremony CAPT Phil D. Ray gets his Eagles pinned on by his son Bryan.



Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

CTA3 Larry Elder, CTA3 Debbie Horton, and CTR2 Jeffery Tritthart are frocked by CTOCM Penny Tardona.

Reenlistments This Month



by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton

Congratulations to the following personnel who reenlisted in October and decided to *STAY NAVY!*

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RADM Thomas Stevens congratulates CTM2 Dave Pucci on his reenlistment.

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| CTA3 G. Charron | CTM2 J. Brooks |
| CTR3 A. Addair | CTT2 M. Diamond |
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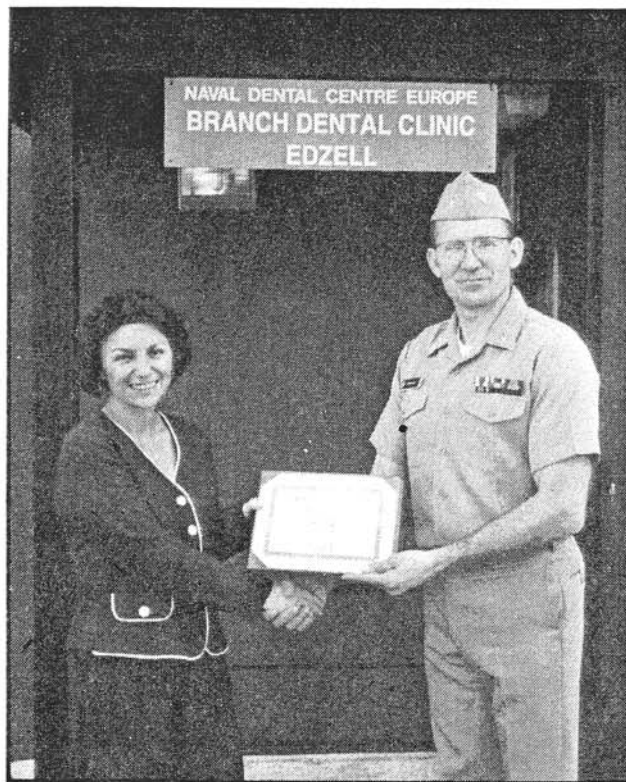
Volunteer of the Quarter

by CDR Bruce Rannin

Connie Williams was selected as the Naval Dental Center Europe, Volunteer of the Quarter. As a Red Cross Volunteer, Connie serves approximately 60 hours a month at the Branch Dental Clinic. With degrees in both chemistry and medical technology, she has quickly integrated herself into the daily workings of the clinic and has become even more critical with the recent transfer of two Dental Technicians.

Connie began volunteering last January after her husband, CTRCS Dwayne Williams, told her the Commanding Officer had mentioned the Dental Clinic was in need of volunteers. Connie says that she enjoys working at Dental. "I must have thanked CAPT Ray a hundred times for telling my husband about it," said Mrs. Williams.

Congratulations on your selection!



Mrs. Connie Williams receives award.

Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

Civilian Awards Ceremony

by Anne Oliver

Two Ministry of Defence employees at RAF Edzell have received prestigious awards for meritorious service in conjunction with the Queen's Birthday Honours List. Mr. Charles Douglas a native Laurencekirk resident has been awarded the personal commendation of the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief Royal Air Force Strike Command, Air Chief Marshal Sir William Wratten. Charles, who has been deaf since childhood, did several short-term jobs before coming to RAF Edzell. But it was at RAF Edzell where he really found his niche. He was allocated to the U.S. Marine Corps HQ as a general caretaker and has never looked back. Charles' efforts in preparing for the exacting Marine Corps' inspections have become legendary throughout the Corps. Consequently, 21 years later, he can boast several awards including the U.S. Marine Corps' top accolade, to becoming an honorary Marine.



Photography by PH2 Carole Rollman

(from left) Mr. Charles Douglas, Mrs. Daphne Ward, CAPT Phil Ray, Air Vice-Marshal T.B. Sherrington, Janness Nicholl, and Mr. Neil Campell.

Mr. Neil Campbell has been awarded a personal commendation for meritorious service by Air Vice-Marshal T. B. Sherrington, Air Officer Commanding Directly Administered Units, RAF Strike Command. The award is in recognition of over 34 years' exemplary service in the Ministry of Defence Fire Service almost exclusively at RAF Edzell. Born in Fort William, Neil lived in Oban until he moved with his parents to Montrose when he was 18. After four years working for Harry Maiden (Blacksmiths and Agricultural Engineers) he started working for the MOD in early 1962. During his long career with the MOD Fire Service he has carried out the full range of duties including organizing training exercises for U.S. Navy personnel. Throughout his career he has earned three Base Commanders' Commendations for his efforts in base and local fires and in 1982 he was awarded the Fire Service Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

In addition to the above awards, the Commanding Officer of NSGA Edzell, Captain Philip D. Ray, will present awards to the outstanding Industrial and Non-Industrial Civilians of the Year. The awards this year go to Mrs. Janness Nicoll, Senior Steward in the Bachelor Enlisted Quarters at RAF Edzell, and Mrs. Daphne Wade, the British Staff Administration Officer on the base.

Mrs. Daphne Wade was selected to receive the Non-Industrial Civilian of the Year Award. Since the closure announcement, Mrs. Wade's workload has almost doubled. She has been in the front line in the substantial preparatory work for all the forthcoming redundancies. She has had to liaise extensively with various outside agencies to provide answers to the myriad queries that she has received on terminal benefits and pensions. Many of these queries have been of a technical nature and have required intense research. Not only has Mrs. Wade dealt with each query competently but more importantly she has done so in a sympathetic and caring fashion. She has never been too busy to listen and her genuinely caring attitude has won the respect of the workforce. This outstanding performance is all the more noteworthy considering that since taking over as BSAO Mrs. Wade has been on temporary and geographical promotion to EO.

Mrs. Janness Nicoll was selected as the Industrial Civilian of the Year. She proves to be an extra ordinarily skilled and enthusiastic professional, who consistently seeks ways to improve operations and customer service to patrons. Her positive customer service attitude and suggestions has led to many significant Quality-of-Life improvements for the residents of the barrack. She is instrumental in maintaining the high rapport shared between the barracks staff and residents. Mrs. Nicoll's aggressive work ethic and deep commitment significantly contribute to overall command readiness and mission effectiveness within the Supply Department. She has proven herself to be an invaluable department asset and her advice and assistance are routinely sought by barracks management.

Goals

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Navy is helping first-term Sailors set goals and achieve them. The Navy Goal Card Program, announced May 1, features a personalized Navy Goal Card and Navy Pocket Goal Card which are tailored to each new Sailor's job choice.

The cards are important career planning tools designed to give recruits direction from the moment they meet their recruiters. From there, the cards are updated as Sailors go through training and continue on to their first command. Commands are encouraged to maintain the two-page goal card document and ensure its use as a goal setting achievement tool. Although the Navy Goal Card Program focuses on first-term Sailors, it's important for all Sailors to focus on and maintain goals.

"It's important for everyone to have goals just in general," said CTICS Linda Heaton, Command Career Counselor. If you are unsure of how to set goals, evaluate your life. By evaluating your life you establish where you are. Focus on all aspects of life like your career, education or fitness, said Senior Chief Heaton. If you find discontent in an area, "go for the goals," Senior Chief Heaton added.

The long term goal LTjg Todd Gagnon strives to achieve is to have a successful naval career as an accomplished naval officer. Although this might appear easy, LT Gagnon added there are a number of short term goals he must achieve to continue moving in an upward direction.

PNC(SW/AW) Edward Hunter said after making Chief the next long term goal he looks forward to accomplishing is getting a degree. "Education is definitely my next long-term priority, I want to get a Bachelors Degree. My short term goal is to go to shore duty because I can dedicate more time to my education. On the other hand, if my goal was to get a warfare device, I would go to a ship to help fulfill my goal," said Chief Hunter.

The Navy Goal Card promises to be a career enhancing tool for the Sailors of today and tomorrow.

Photography by CTR3 Robbins



PNC Hunter achieved a long term goal by making Chief.

DEP GOALS

1. I will attend all DEP meetings.
2. I will save ___ dollars per month.
3. I will advance to E2/E3 by encouraging others to visit recruiters and enlist.
4. I will maintain a physical fitness program.
5. I will earn my _____ diploma.
6. I will not use illegal drugs or abuse alcohol.
7. I will take personal responsibility for my future.

Personal Goal: _____

RECRUIT TRAINING GOALS

1. I will report for Recruit Training on _____.
2. I will complete Recruit Training in 9 weeks.
3. I will save ___ dollars per month.
4. I will pass the Navy's physical fitness requirements.
5. I will honor the Navy Core Values.

Personal Goal: (Something else you want to accomplish)

SAILOR'S CREED

I am a United States Sailor.
 I will support and Defend the Constitution of the United States of America and I will obey the orders of those appointed over me.
 I represent the fighting spirit of the Navy and those who have gone before me to defend freedom and democracy around the world.
 I proudly serve my country's Navy combat team with honor, courage, and commitment.
 I am committed to excellence and the fair treatment of all.

FLEET GOALS

1. I will complete my Warfare Specialty qualification, if assigned to sea duty, by end of 1st enlistment.
2. I will increase my savings to ___ dollars per month.
3. I will maintain a physical fitness program.
4. I will advance to every paygrade as soon as my first eligibility: E3 ___ E4 ___ E5 ___ E6 ___
5. I will go to the education office (Navy Campus) to document college credits earned upon completion of Recruit Training, ___ school, and _____.

PERSONAL PRIORITIES

Education/Training
 Discipline
 Advancement
 Physical Fitness
 Saving Money
 Habits: Exercise often, avoid alcohol abuse, never use drugs, eat right, avoid smoking, study to earn ___ college credits every year.
 Personal Goals: _____

NAME: _____

Successful sailors have found that setting goals helps them achieve rewarding careers. Here are just a few examples of goals that will help you on your path to success. **WELCOME ABOARD!**

NAVY CORE VALUES
HONOR, COURAGE, COMMITMENT

Armistice Day

by Yvonne Cant, CRA

Armistice Day or Remembrance Sunday is held in the month of November and falls on Sunday the 10th. Armistice means “the suspension of hostilities”, a truce, which was declared at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month at the end of the First World War. Every year, on the nearest Sunday to the 11th, we in Britain and the Commonwealth hold this day as a day of remembrance for all those men and women who gave their lives for their country and her allies, during World War I and II and the Korean War.

In towns and cities throughout the land people gather round the cenotaph (a monument to one who is buried elsewhere). A short religious service will take place with civil dignitaries, youth organizations, as well as all branches of the military will be on parade in uniform. Poppy wreaths will be placed on the memorial and as the clock strikes eleven, a two minute silence will be observed. Ceremonies will take place in Brechin,

Montrose, Forfar and Arbroath which the US Navy will attend.

The Queen and other members of the Royal Family attend a very solemn and impressive Remembrance Day service at the cenotaph in London, along with members of the government, the opposition, commonwealth and foreign statesmen or their representatives, and heads of all our armed forces. Anyone can attend this ceremony which is broadcast over radio and television.

About two weeks before the day, single red poppies will be on sale everywhere. All the money collected from selling poppies go to service charities like the Royal British Legion whose aim is to help ex-servicemen and their families. On their behalf a member of the RAF Commander’s office will be coming round the offices on base selling poppies. We wear a red poppy to remember those who fell in all wars and to help those servicemen who were disabled during the conflicts.

Guy Fawkes Night

by Yvonne Cant, CRA

In the year 1603, on the death of Queen Elizabeth of England, James VI of Scotland fell heir to the English throne and became James I of England, uniting the kingdoms of Scotland and England. The Protestant religion was sweeping the land at this time. This did not please Catholic agitators who decided to blow up the Houses of Parliament, and the Protestant king.

In 1605 Catholic agitators hid 20 barrels of gun powder in the vaults of the House of Lords. Guy Fawkes was to ignite the barrels when the King came to ceremoniously open Parliament. Unfortunately for Guy, a fellow agitator squealed on him and he was caught, arrested, tortured and subsequently executed in 1606 in front of the building he intended to destroy.

We still remember the Gunpowder Plot today by having a bonfire and fireworks. On top of the bonfire is

an effigy of Guy Fawkes. Several weeks before the 5th, children will parade their ‘guy’ (effigy) in the streets and ask people for “a penny for the guy”. There is a little rhyme that goes- “Please to remember, the fifth of November; gunpowdër treason and plot. We know no reason, why gunpowder treason, should ever be forgot.” The money raised from the ‘guy’ goes towards buying fireworks.

And just in case someone has a similar idea, when the present Queen ceremoniously opened Parliament on the 23rd October, the vaults were searched for explosive devices.

We all know fireworks are dangerous... so be careful. In some towns there will be organized Guy Fawkes parties. Check the local newspapers for information.

SOME WINTER SAFETY TIPS - HOME & ROAD

*R. M. Donaldson
Safety Manager*

It's nearly winter again, so take out those winter woollies to keep you warm. If keeping warm was as simple as that, then we would have no unsafe conditions. The problems are in those heating appliances we put to one side when the warm days of summer were upon us. There are many dangers lurking in those discarded and unused appliances, especially those burning gas, wood and oil (kerosene). Also, remember electric space heaters are not exempt from problems. Where do we go from here?

- (a) Have all appliances checked before using them - portable and fixed installations.
- (b) Where we rely on the process of combustion, the potential to injure is the greatest. The silent killer is carbon monoxide (CO), never use this type of heater without ensuring there is adequate ventilation.
- (c) Using gas heaters is a convenient method of quick, reliable heat, however, please ensure that if you purchase a new one it is fitted with

an oxygen depletion sensor (ODS) to prevent CO build up.

- (d) Ensure each appliance has an adequate guard.
- (e) The fire potential from heaters is ever present, so ensure your smoke detector is in good working order, also remember the fire extinguisher and means of escape.
- (f) Have all electric heaters checked and make sure that plugs, cords and casing are in good condition. Also check that the anti-tilt unit and thermostats are working properly.
- (g) The use of kerosene and gas heating appliances in base housing is prohibited.

We now move from the home to the road and ask the question "How well are your vehicles prepared for winter?" Lack of maintenance in this field could lead to a fatality or serious injury.

- (a) Exhaust systems - have them checked for leaks, remember internal combustion engines produce carbon monoxide which, if inhaled, prevents the blood from carrying oxygen and leads to asphyxiation.
- (b) Brakes, steering and lighting - these are components vital to your safety - have them checked.
- (c) When the roads start to freeze up, remember your tires are your only contact, they must have a minimum tread depth of 1.6mm across the full width of the tire.
- (d) A phenomenon often encountered in Scotland is 'black ice'. The road is wet with an underlying skin of ice - BEWARE - any sudden braking under these conditions will lead to a violent skid.

These are just a few of the dangers that you will encounter, so please keep a safety attitude with you at all times, home or road. If you require assistance with companies for servicing heaters etc, please contact Safety Office at X2130.



Turkey Trot Sign-ups

by HMC Wanda Cronin

The Branch Medical Clinic invites everyone to participate in the Third Annual Turkey Trot. This is a 5k run to support the Great American Smokeout on November 14th. The run begins at 11:30 a.m. in front of the Medical clinic on November 14th.

Remember, during the Smokeout is the best time to stop smoking! As soon as you stop, you'll start to benefit and whatever your age you can expect to live longer.

Below are some of the benefits to kicking the smoking habit.

** Immediately after quitting your body begins to cleanse itself of tobacco toxins.*

** Within eight hours of quitting, nicotine and carbon monoxide levels in the blood are halved.*

** Within a few weeks your sense of taste and smell return and your irritating morning cough begins to disappear.*

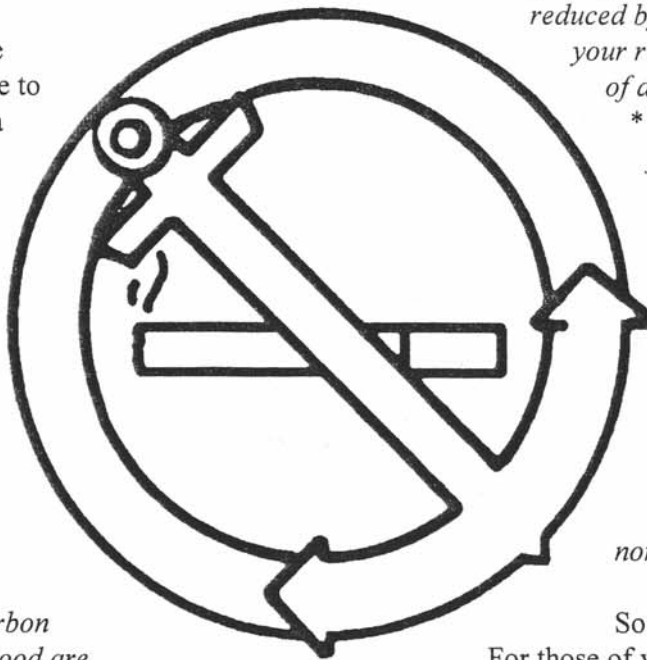
** Your lungs become cleaner and your shortness of breath improves.*

** You become fitter and less dependant on nicotine.*

** In one to two years your heart attack risk is reduced by half and in three years your risk decreases to that of a life-long non-smoker.*

** If you stay off cigarettes for 10 years you've probably halved your risk of getting lung cancer. The longer you stop the lower the risk.*

** After 15 years of non-smoking the risk of getting many of the diseases cause by smoking is reduced to that of a life-long non-smoker.*



So come on out and join us.

For those of you who smoke, take the first step to a healthier life. For those who don't, show your support and enjoy the challenge. For more information contact HMC Cronin or HMC Miller at extension 2264 or 2265.

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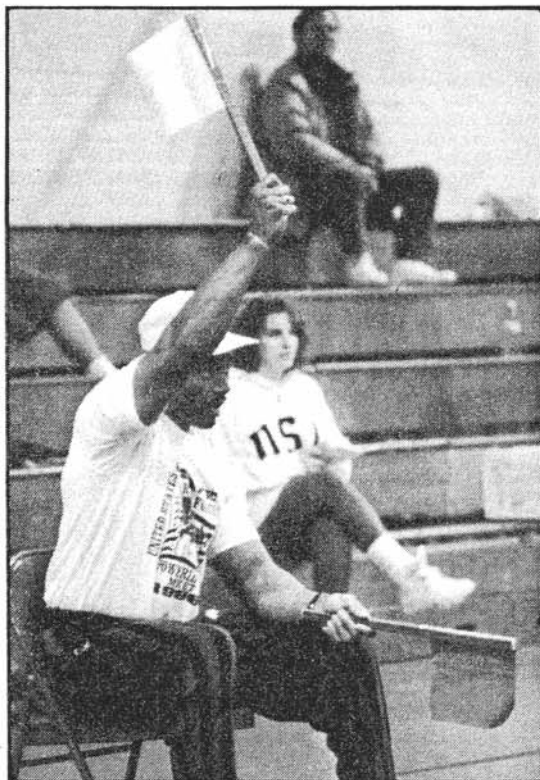
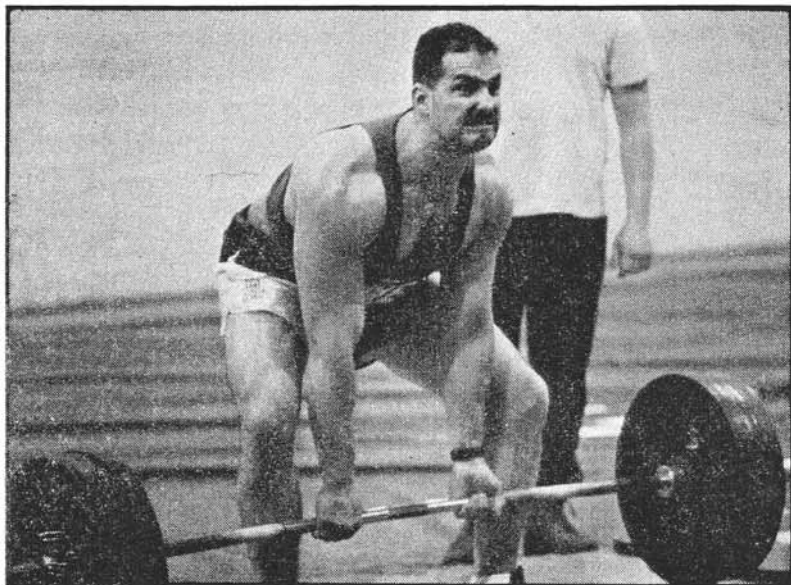


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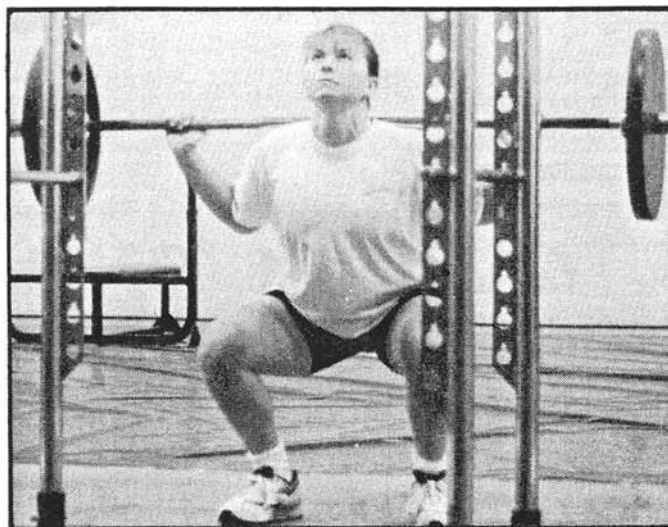
by JO2 Melanie Barnett

MWR hosted a Powerlifting Competition on October 16 in the base gym. CTAC Moody, organizer of the competition said, although the competition was fierce

contenders remembered it was mainly for fun. Trophies were given to CTT2 Gary Davis, for first place and CTM3 Marcus Snead, runner-up, however, everyone in the competition received a plaque for their efforts. Petty Officer Snead was voted overall best lifter for the day. Organizers hope to have another powerlift in the near future.



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(photo top left) Ahhnold who? CTM1 Lyle Olson attempts his first deadlift of the day. (photo left) CTAC Roosevelt Moody lifts a white flag signifying a good lift. (photo above) CTM2 Toni Hardy concentrates during a squat attempt.

Basketball Tourney

by CTASN Jim Legg



The usual Captain's Cup Basketball Competition was replaced by a week long basketball tournament. Jim Legg, William Hill, Wayne Zais and Marcus Snead (the Enforcers) all put teams into this year's tourney.

In the first round Jim Legg and crew defeated William Hill's team by a close five points. In the second game of first round play, the Enforcers prevailed over Wayne Zais and company. Hill's team was eliminated by Zais and company in round two of the tourney. In the second game of round two, Jim Legg and crew were down by one at the half, but the Enforcers came out strong in the second half and blew Jim and his crew off the court with a 33 point spread. With that win it's probably safe to say the Enforcers paid for top spot in the championship game. Jim Legg's crew battled hard for spot number two, but Zais' warriors triumphed in the end.

In the championship game the Enforcers once again controlled the court and blew away Zais to take home the trophy.

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Halsey School Performs

During the October 3, PTO meeting, Ms. Hurlburt's second and third graders celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month. The performance included singing, dancing and audience participation.



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(photo above)(from left) LN1 Frank Thies gets into the swing of things with his daughter Ann Marie. (top right) Ann Marie Thies and Eona Chambers demonstrate dance techniques for the audience. (center) Amanda Olson and Michelle Skipper pair up for the demonstration. (bottom right) The class gathers for a curtain call. (bottom left) Ms. Lee Andrews, Music Teacher, shares a dance with Tim Hinrichs





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From the Bridge



CAPT Phil Ray

By the time you read this, I'll be gone (what's all that cheering??!!). Although our time here has been relatively short, Cheryl, Bryan and I would like to thank you all for everything that's been done for us and with us. As always, it's the people who make a place enjoyable and Edzell is tops on any list. It has been great working and playing alongside of you. The best part of leading is being challenged as to why we do certain things and why we do those things certain ways. Your questions have caused us to think and re-think many topics and, I think, in the final analysis have been the catalysts for our changing what we do and how we do it on several issues (Hey, that sounds like TQL!!!).

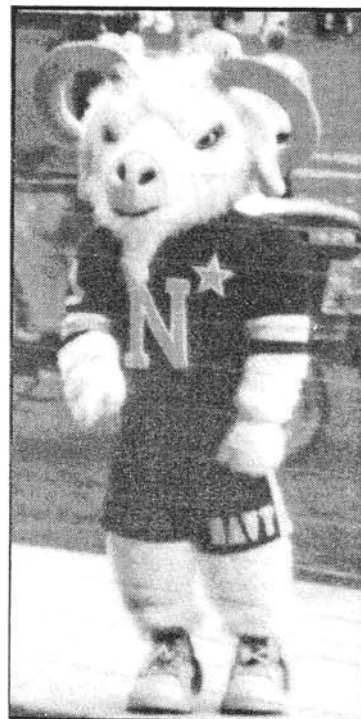
But seriously - a great deal has been accomplished here over the last twelve months and it's all due to your hard work and cooperation. But the hard part is in front of those of you who will be here until the end. Each month (week?) there are fewer and fewer folks here. That means there's more work to do per person. THAT means you need to work smart. So, keep asking those questions, ALL of you. Don't assume someone has thought of everything because no one ever does. And while you're busy doing all that, don't forget to keep an eye on your buddy. I want to see you all at that next duty station.

Navy Game

by JO2 Melanie Barnett and CTA3
William Miller

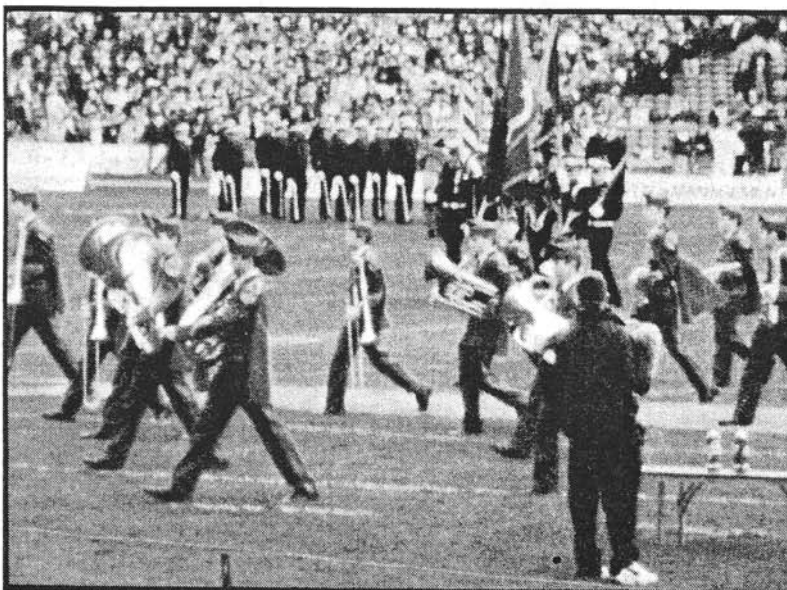
November 1 through the 3, Information Tours and Travel sponsored a trip to Dublin, Ireland to attend a Navy /Notre Dame collegiate football game. Base personnel joined over 30,000 Americans already in Dublin for the Game.

The Navy came out strong but quickly lost momentum. The Fighting Irish taking advantage of Navy's weak offense and took control of the game. Notre Dame grabbed an easy 54-27 victory over the Midshipmen. Despite the Navy loss, the group from Edzell enjoyed the Irish hospitality.



*Photography by CTASN
Steven Painter*

(photo top right) Bill the Goat supports the Midshipmen and motivates the crowd. (right) Pre-game show participants exit the field to prepare for the half-time celebration. (bottom right) Notre Dame warming up before the game.



Remembrance Day Services

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

Each year, the Sunday nearest the 11th of November, is the day Britains hold as a day of remembrance for those who gave their lives to the service of their country. This year Remembrance Sunday fell on November 10. The NSGA Edzell Color Guard traveled the Brechin, Montrose and Arbroath to help these local communities observe this special day. CAPT Phil Ray, CDR Bruce Drake, and LCDR Sharon Chamness represented the base at each of the ceremonies. The representatives participated in the event at different locations.



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(photo above) A local Minister placed the first poppy in the center of a cross made from poppies on the ground in front of the Montrose Cenotaph. The rest of the cross was filled with poppies received from the Poppy Appeal. (left) Parade assembled in front of the Brechin Cathedral. (bottom left) LCDR Chamness braves cold wet weather in Arbroath. (bottom right) CTO2 Chris Parcels stand presents arms during the ceremony in Montrose.



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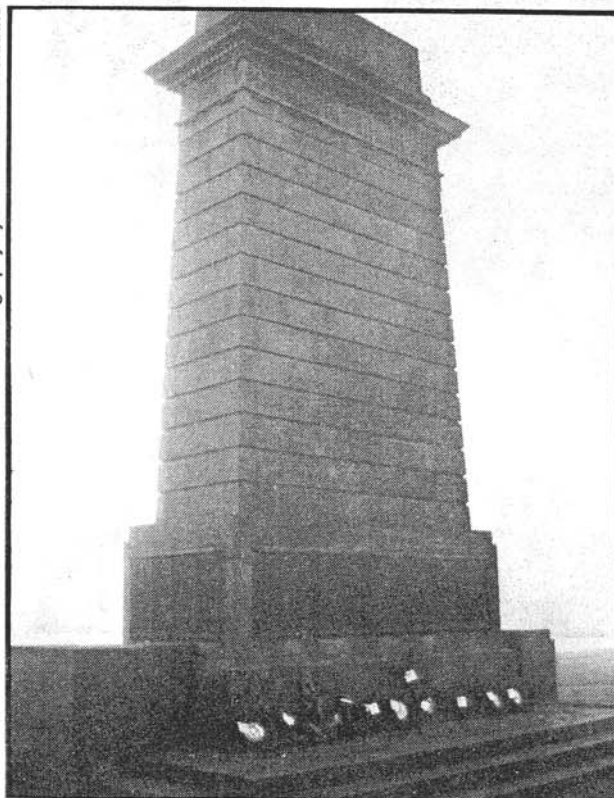
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CAPT Ray along with civil dignitaries, youth organizations, the Royal British Legion and many others assembled around the Cenotaph in Montrose. After a brief religious service, traditional poppy wreaths were laid on the monument to honor the memory of fallen service-members. Similar ceremonies were held at the other two locations.

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(photo above) Fifteen poppy wreaths were laid at the monument in Arborath. LCDR Chamness represented the U.S. Navy at the ceremony. (top right) CTO3 Dustin Evans stands beside the doorway at the old church in Montrose. After a full church service, the parade marched to the Cenotaph for another brief service and a wreath laying ceremony. (bottom right) CAPT Ray laid a remembrance wreath at the Cenotaph.



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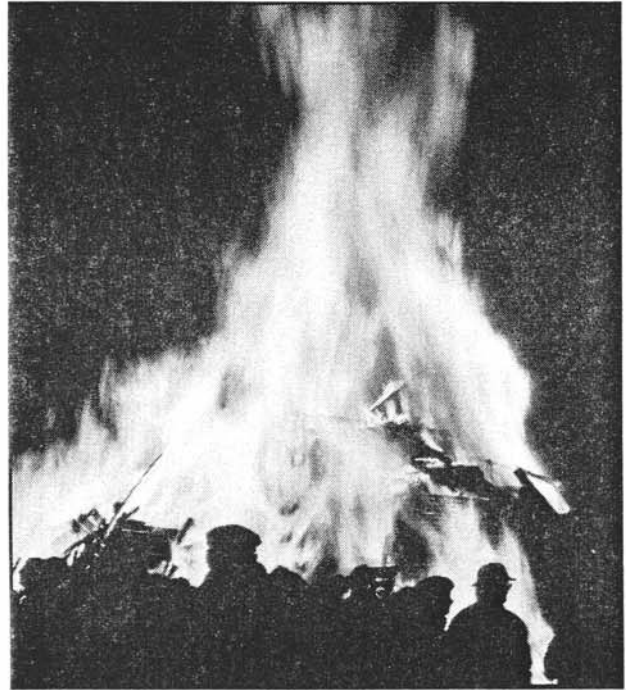
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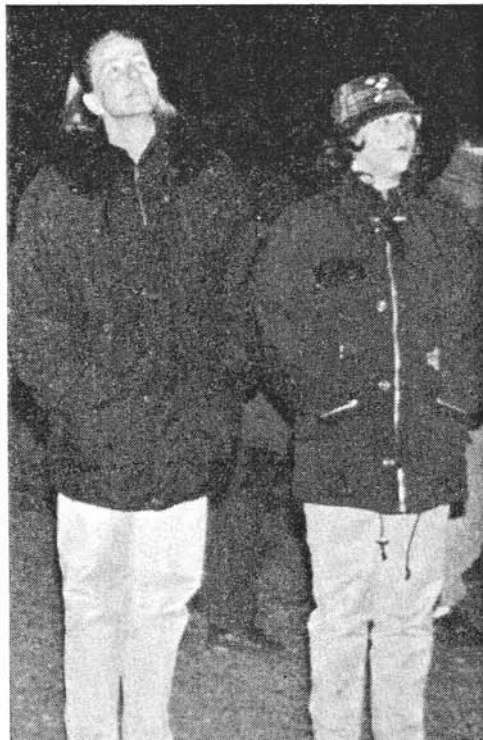
GUY FAWKES

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The village of Edzell invited the base community to participate in its 1996 Guy Fawkes Day celebration. The festivities included a carnival, fireworks the traditional bon fire. The fireworks were donated by the base.



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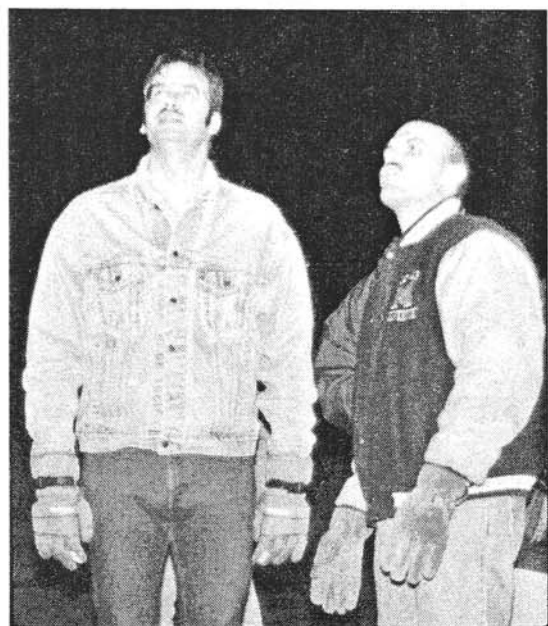




(photo left) A dummy of Guy Fawkes engulfed in flames. (below) Edzell is lit up by carnival lights and fireworks. (bottom right) CTM2 Scott Robbins and CTR2 Todd Barney watch as pieces of Building 300 burst into flames. The base provided a significant amount of the wood for the fire. (bottom left) For a few moments Mr. Guy Fawkes enjoys the warmth of the fire.



(photo opposite page)(top left) CTR2 Alan Skank and daughter Paige enjoy the fireworks. (bottom left) CTICS Linda Heaton and daughter Sara watch sparks from the fire dance in the crisp evening air. (top right) The bon fire begins to supply some heat for the patrons of the event. (bottom right) The CPO Spouse Club sells sparklers during the celebration.



HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

This year's Halloween festivities included a haunted house sponsored by the Acey Duecy Association, a party at the Youth Activities Center and trick-or-treating through

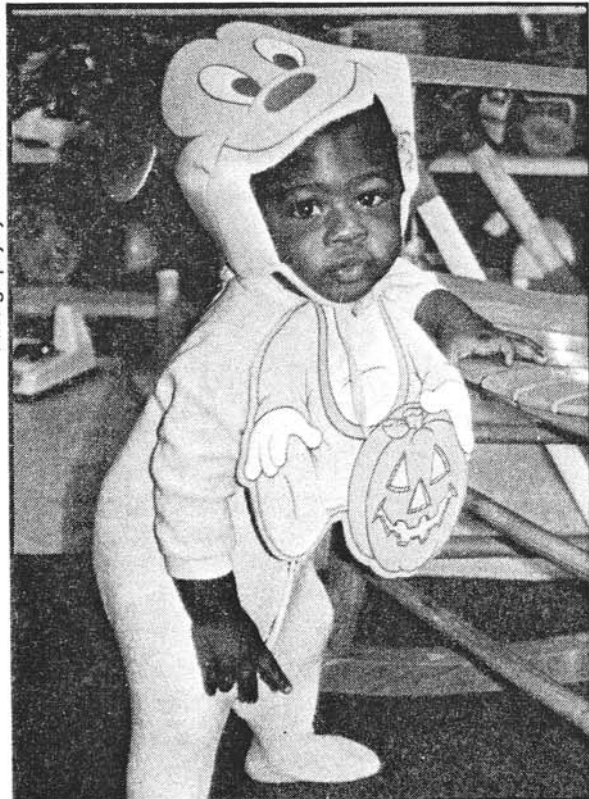
base housing. The Halloween party at the YAC was a great success. The costume contest winners were Sara Sexton, age 8 and Lisa Brull, age 12. Lisa Brull was also a drawing contest winner along with Stephanie Jensen, age 8. Congratulations to all winners.

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(photo left) Hark. What lurks in yonder darkness? (bottom left) Kharee Carr enjoys his first Halloween costume. (below) Paige Skank poses as Edzell's cutest witch.

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Organizers wish to thank all participants, parents and volunteers for making Edzell's last Halloween Celebration a *howlin' good time!*



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(photo above) Lisa Brull the winner of the YAC Poster Contest and the Best Costume contest poses for a quick photo. (below) Robert Robbins and Kerrie Barney celebrate the holiday together. (bottom left) Shelly Adacheck and Valerie Sager lead the Halloween festivities at the Child Development Center.

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Transitions, Awards & S.O.Q.'s

October Awards



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(front row)(from left) CTO3 Dustin Evans, Commanding Officer's Letter of Commendation; CTM1(SW) Dale Akers, COMSIXTHFLT Letter of Commendation; CTM2 Adam Staley, Good Conduct Medal; CTO3 Matt Winkler, Good Conduct Medal; and CTM2 Chad McGinnis, Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal. (top row)(from left) CTM1 Donna Jensen, Good Conduct (Gold); CTR3 Dalene Shaw, Good Conduct; CTO3 Teresa Davis, Good Conduct; CTR3 Debbie Horton, Good Conduct; and CTR2 Justin Chapin, COMNAVSECGRU Letter of Commendation.

Navy/ Marine Corps Achievement Medal



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CTR1 Nancy Royster receives a N/MCAM.

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Senior Sailor of the Quarter

Cryptologic Technician First Class Dale W. Akers was selected as the Senior Sailor of the Quarter for the fourth quarter 1996.

Before moving to his current position as Quarter Deck Leading Petty Officer, Petty Officer Akers worked as the LPO for the Electronics Maintenance Division. He was responsible for drafting correspondence in support of the command's base closure efforts. Petty Officer Akers conducted career counseling to 25 Department/Divisional personnel and successfully negotiated orders for 10 individuals. His superior leadership skills are exemplified by the high quality of counseling he gives Sailors on a daily basis.

Petty Officer Akers supervised and trained 38 personnel in security and anti-terrorism duties and is responsible for base security during increased threat conditions. He is a command CPR instructor and an OOD watchstander. During his off time, Petty Officer Akers is a volunteer at the base auto hobby shop and is a Cub Scout leader.

Petty Officer Akers is a multi-faceted and talented leader who thrives on challenge and consistently exceeds expectations.

Congratulations and good luck Petty Officer Akers!

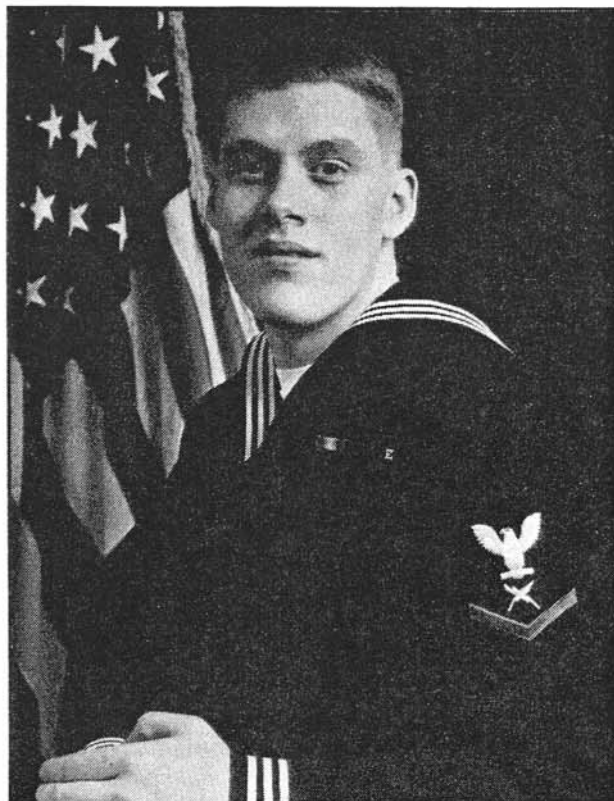
Junior Sailor of the Quarter

Cryptologic Technician Third Class Dustin E. Evans was selected as the Junior Sailor of the Quarter for the fourth quarter 1996.

CTO3 Evans is a front runner among his peers. Before the cessation of operations, Petty Officer Evans worked in 30 Department as an operator of critical communications systems.

Petty Officer Evans exhibits a positive "Can Do" attitude and displays superior leadership skills. His flexibility and natural supervisory skills were the key to his appointment as Junior Sailor of the Quarter. His outstanding military demeanor and appearance qualified him for the Command's Ceremonial Unit, where he participates in highly visible ceremonies for host nation and visiting dignitaries. Petty Officer Evans dedicates much of his off duty time to the community. Recently, Petty Officer Evans volunteered to help with the Cub Scout Olympics. He qualified as a sharpshooter on the .45 pistol and was an active member of the Auxiliary Security Force.

Congratulations and good luck Petty Officer Evans!



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Reenlistments This Month

by CTICS(NAC) Linda Heaton



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CTRC Robert Seay

CTR1 Darlene Seay

UT2 Dan Mateik

CTA3 Loretta Williams

BUCS William White congratulates UT2 Dan Mateik on his recent reenlistment.

Promotion

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(photo above) LTJG Edward Hunter gets promoted to his current rank during a small ceremony. (right) CAPT Phil Ray and Margarita Hunter pin on LTJG Hunters new rank.



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Edzell's Entertainment

16 City Blocks

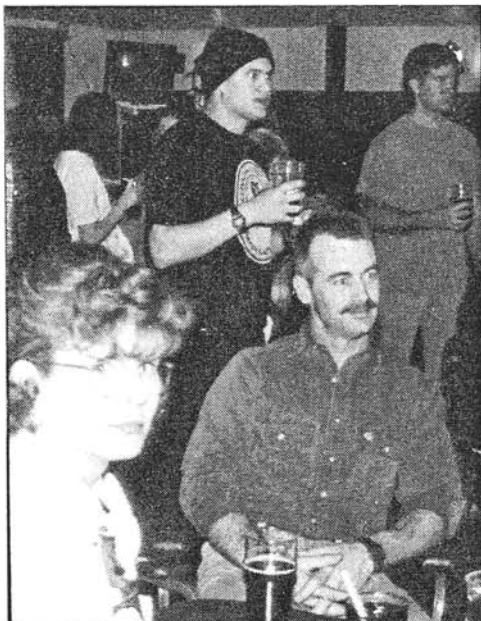
by JO2 Melanie Barnett

NSGA Edzell hosted a USO/DoD Show at the Gangway Club on November 8. The group of musicians from St. Louis, Missouri called "16 City Blocks," performed modern contemporary rock. The group featured hits from the "Gin Blossoms," Cheryl Crow and Tracy Chapman. The group has won numerous local awards and has toured nationally with recognized acts. The band performed live in front of a packed house.

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(above photo) Each member of the band has toured nationally including the drummer who also helps out with vocals. (below) NSGA Edzell hosted a USO/DoD Show at the Gangway Club. The band performed live in front of a packed house. (bottom left) (from left) CTM2 Gerry McGarvey, CTO3 Ray Show, CTC Clay Conner, and SK2 Doug Ferm relax and enjoy the evening's entertainment.



When Was Jesus Born and Other Things About December?

by Father Hummer

Before the disappearance of Lt. Mulder of X-Files fame, I had a conversation with him about "Christmas", of all things. As an investigator of sorts, he doesn't do his homework very well, and he was stunned when I casually remarked that Dec. 25 was not set for the date of the birth of Jesus until about the fourth century of the Christian Era.

It later dawned on me that there are probably many others who have lived with an understanding that Christmas has ALWAYS been celebrated on Dec. 25 so I thought it might be worthwhile to have another look at this, not only for the benefit of Lt. Mulder but for all those like him, who are old enough to think like adults.

Dec. 25 was not set as the day of Jesus' birth until the fourth century in Rome. It is hardly accidental that there was a pagan festival honoring the invincible or unconquered "sun god," a festival introduced in 274 A.D. by the Roman emperor, Aurelian. In Latin the feast was known as the *dies natalis Solis Invicti*, or the "birthday of the unconquered Sun."

This was celebrated on Dec. 25 because the natural struggle of the sun to remain in the sky had reached its annual low point on Dec. 21. By the 25th the sun's orbit had risen enough in the sky to

make it clear that the sun would not simply keep going down lower and lower until it disappeared forever.

Obviously this observation of the sun in its apparent struggle with unknown "enemies" in nature had evolved over centuries of observation. For those who worshipped the sun as a god it became a natural day of

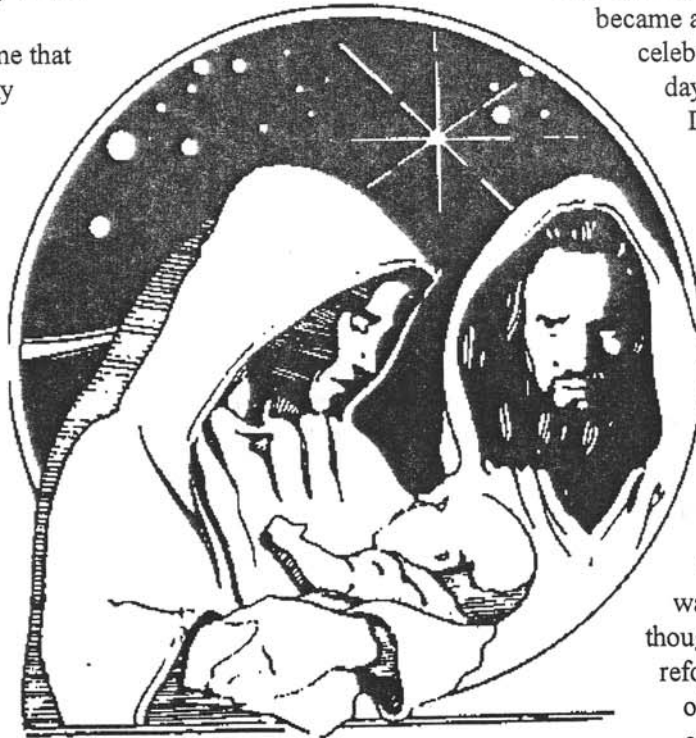
celebration. With such short days here in Scotland in December, it shouldn't be too hard to watch the sky during these next few weeks to see how much lower in the sky the sun appears to sink each day up to Dec. 21 and then to note how quickly it begins its apparent "climb" by Dec. 25.

Anyway, the pagan celebrating connected with this feast in Rome was such that the church thought it was necessary to refocus popular celebrations of pagan feasts with celebrations of the true

unconquered "Son," who conquered death itself.

Since Scripture offered no help in finding a day for his birth, theologians had to fill in blanks. A popular tradition had already arisen that John the Baptist had been born on June 25. Since Luke 1:26 (and only Luke) suggests that Jesus is six months older than the Baptist, it was only a small step from there to establish the date of the birth of Jesus on Dec. 25.

By doing this theologians solved the problem of dealing with their Christian flock over-indulging in



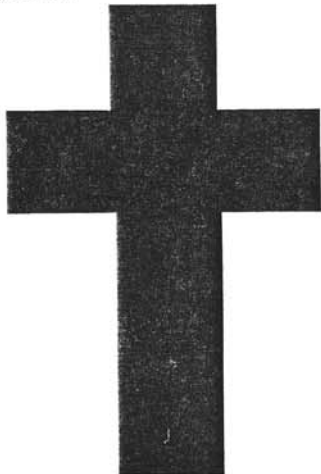
pagan feasts, as popular as those feasts were, and established an important focus for their own faith by setting a date for the birth of their Messiah. Ever since Christians have celebrated Dec. 25 as the day of Christ's birth.

By the time I finished explaining all this to Lt. Mulder, he had finished an entire pot of coffee and then excused himself. I have not seen him since.

It's a shame too because I was all set to explain how an error by a monk named "Denis the Short" in 577 A.D. led to a historical puzzle that has never been solved, namely that Jesus was probably born in 6 B.C. or six years before his time. It's too long to explain here but Mulder would have loved that one, especially since he and Denis have some things in common.

I was also going to explain to him about how it is that Jews celebrate Hannukah in December as an 8 day festival from the 25th of the month Kislev to the 2nd of the month Teber, celebrating their victory over the Syrians and rededication of the Temple in 165 B.C. which gave them a return of religious and political freedom. Hannukah is also called the "festival of lights" because of reports that at the Temple rededication the sacred lamp burned for 8 days on only one day's supply of oil. Mulder would no doubt have found that worthy of filing for future reference.

But, Mulder's nowhere to be found these days so if any of you see him perhaps you can pass some of this information along to him. And if you do, give him this poem I wrote when I first got here a couple years ago. A happy and holy holiday to you all!



December, Dark and Drear

*In December, dark and drear,
light lessens and leaves.
Humans hunger and hope for
what was and will be.
Jews rejoice in their festival of lights.
Christians celebrate their Christ.
God reigns over all and in all,
in darkness and in light,
in sunshine and in shadow,
in tragedy and in triumph,
in splendor and in shame.
Desperate with longing
for what completes the incomplete
and makes the partial whole
Humanity seeks to celebrate away
the awesome fear of darkness near.
We fatten our fires and kindle our candles
to remind us that divine light,
though dim and distended in December,
still shines in the promise of glory bright.
So for all who are living
whether in faith or in fear,
God's light is relieving,
in December, dark and drear.*

Pantomime



by *Yvonne Cant, CRA*

Pantomime is one of the oldest traditions of the British theatre. It dates back to the time of the Roman emperor Nero. During his reign, Rome enjoyed a peculiar kind of musical entertainment. In these shows a single actor would mime all the persons or things of the story, while a chorus provided musical back up. From this tradition pantomime developed. It has evolved into a form of Christmas entertainment popular in Britain and some other English speaking countries, but is nearly incomprehensible everywhere else.

Between 1840 and 1860 the plots were taken from plays, legends and novels. They were usually mocked by a reversal of the sexes (the hero was played by an actress and his mother was played by a comedian dressed in drag). In the 1880's the stories were romantic with comic relief, but today the demand has narrowed to Cinderella, Dick Whittington, Robinson Crusoe, and similar tales.

At the beginning of this century pantomimes were extremely popular at Christmas, much more than today. There have been occasions when producers have tried to reverse the roles by having the hero played by an actor, and the mother by a woman, but old customs die hard and the public insisted on tradition.

Nowadays of course, there is no miming. On the contrary, pantomimes are usually very loud colorful musicals, interspersed with a bit of comedy and a bit of drama, with audience participation actively encouraged.

Upcoming Pantomimes:

**Aberdeen - Cinderella at His Majesty's Theatre,
Aberdeen.**

**Friday, December 6, 1996 through Saturday,
January 4, 1997.**

A traditional family pantomime starring David Rintoul as Baron Hardup, Andy Gray as Buttons, Alison Douglas as Cinderella and Vivien Heilbron and The Fairy Godmother. Ticket prices from £7.00 to £12.50. For booking and information call 01224641122.

**Dundee - Mother Goose at The Whitehall Theatre,
Dundee.**

**Wednesday, December 11 through Saturday,
December 21.**

Matinees on the 14th, 15th and 21st. Prices from £3.50 to £5.50. For ticket information write to from the Business Manager, Downfield Musical Society, 27-29 Guthrie Street, Dundee DD1 5BR, or call 01382322537.

**Dundee - The Wizard of Oz at the Dundee Rep
Theatre, Tay Square, off South Tay Street.**

**Friday, November 29 through Saturday,
January 11.**

Ticket prices range from £9.75 to £6.75. Performances on the first three days, Friday, Saturday and Tuesday (no performances on Sunday or Monday) tickets are £5.50. Booking Office 01382223530.

**Edinburgh - Robinson Crusoe at the King's
Theatre, 2 Leven Street.**

**Thursday, December 12 through Saturday,
January 25.**

A swashbuckling musical for the entire family. Stars David Essex. Box office 01312204349.

**Arbroath - Sinbad the Sailor at the Webster
Theatre.**

Monday, December 16 through December 21.

Adults £4.25, children £3.25. Book through the Tourist Information Office, Market Place, 01241872609.

**St. Andrews - Hansel and Gretel at the Byre
Theatre, Abby Street.**

**Friday, December 6 through Saturday,
December 28.**

Booking Office 01334476288.

**Glasgow - Cinderella at The Pavilion Theatre,
121 Renfield Street.**

December 3 through January 25.

Starring the Krankies plus members of the cast of "Take the High Road." To book seats or for more information call 01413321846.

Respiratory Protection

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In the control of occupational illnesses caused by breathing air which is contaminated with dusts, mists, gases, smoke, vapors or other contaminants, the primary objective of the safety professional is to have the pollutant removed from the workspace.

This can be attained by substitution of the pollutant through engineering controls such as enclosure of the operation or ventilation whether it be dilution or extraction.

If it is not possible to introduce these controls then we must resort to personal protective equipment (PPE) in the form of respirators.

Before respirators are issued it is necessary to evaluate the hazard.

This can be achieved by an area inspection which includes a study of the operation being carried out. Before the operation commences, a study of the applicable Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) should be made and if no air sampling facts are available then the Respiratory Program Manager can issue a respirator based on the MSDS.

As soon as possible after the operation begins, an Industrial Hygienist or other qualified person should carry out air sampling to determine if a hazard does exist and also quantify the hazard.

There are basically four types of respirators; Single Use, Cartridge or Filter type, Supplied Air, and Self Contained. Briefly let us consider the different types.

Single Use is, as the name implies, for a single exposure to the contaminant. One important factor to remember is that one respirator does not operate for different contaminants i.e. a dust respirator is no good to combat organic vapors.



Cartridge or Filter type uses replacement cartridges or filters which are selected according to the hazard present. The body of the respirator can be used as long as it is in good condition but the cartridges should be replaced either when breathing becomes difficult or the contaminant passes through into the facepiece. Either way they should be replaced when beginning a new shift.

Supplied Air respirators have the air supplied either from an outside air source or from a compressor which supplies air that conforms to a required standard.

Self Contained is a self-contained respirator where the air is supplied from a cylinder carried on your back, again this air must comply with standards for breathing air.

The bottom line on Respiratory Protection is to ensure you have the correct respirator for the hazard present. You may only have one chance to protect your health or your life.

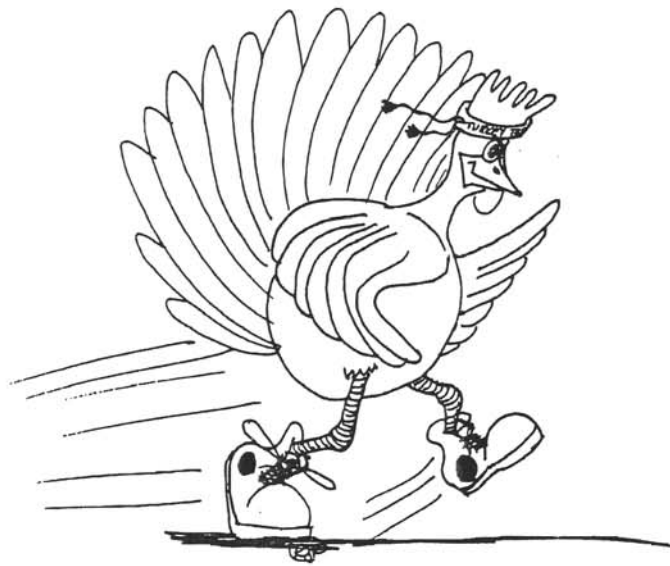


Turkey Trot

by JO2 Melanie Barnett

The Branch Medical Clinic, Edzell, sponsored the NSGA Edzell Turkey Trot - a 5-kilometer foot race held in conjunction with the "Great American Smokeout." This annual event was designed to help people kick the habit of tobacco use for a minimum of 24 hours. The event stressed the benefits of a healthier life through exercise.

Thirty runners signed up to participate in this years event despite the decreased population of the base. Certificates were awarded to first, second, and third place runners as well as the first place runner in the youth category.



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Congratulations Certificate Awardees

1st - Eric Ainslie 17:30

2nd - Ken Stallard 19:44

3rd - Tom George 20:10

Youth

1st - Noah Matthews 21:06



(photo top) Father Hummer and CTA2 Samuel Sharwarko are two of the participants in the 1996 "Turkey Trot." (left) The competition for first place was tough. MS1 Ken Stallard took the early lead, but in the end Eric Ainslie was the first to cross the finish line.

EDZELL' S ONLY CONTACT SPORT

by EA2 Dan Johnson

From Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary:

Rugby -- *a football game in which play is continuous without time-outs or substitutions, interference and forward passing are not permitted, and kicking, dribbling, lateral passing, and tackling are featured.*

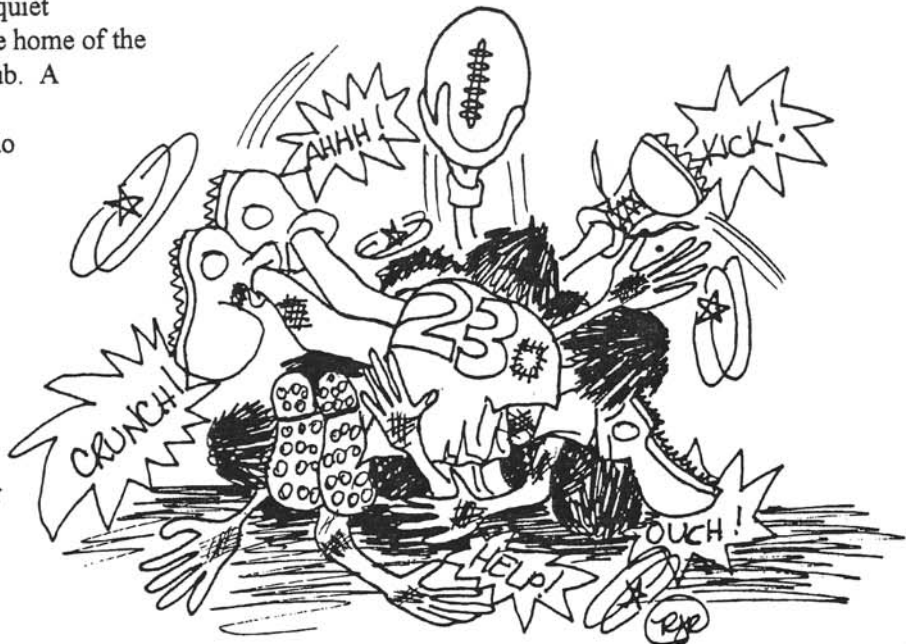
The next entry in Mr. Webster's 1977 edition is rugged. Though not technically related, these two words could quite easily reference each other. For other references see demented, deranged and just plain whacked.

Walking along Forfar Loch you see sail boats glide, fly line cast and the autumn leaves swirling about. A calm idyllic place of quiet contemplation? No! This is the home of the Strathmore Rugby Football Club. A place where players run, grunt, scream, cheer, and attempt to do bodily damage to one another, all for the enjoyment of Scotland's greatest sport. (Yes, even better than golf! When was the last time you got to rip the head off the foursome in front of you in order to play through?!?)

Since the 1930's, locals have traveled to Forfar to wear the black jersey of the Strathy. This sport of mud, blood and the beverage of your choice has recently attracted

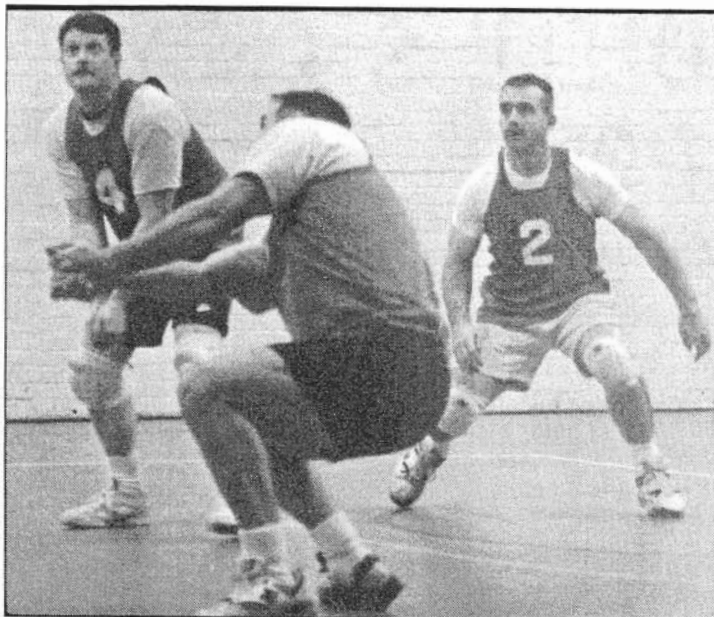
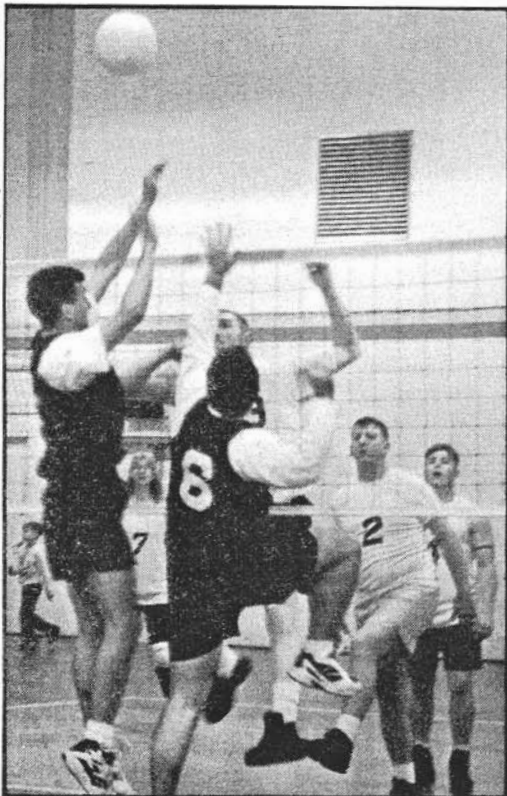
participants from RAF Edzell. CTR3 Jason Vernon is the most experienced American addition to the Strathmore team, playing last season for Strathmore's rival, Montrose RFC. He and CTR3 Herb Bustler brought speed to the backfield proving that even Yanks can score tries. Busler has sacrificed bone, sinew and tooth enamel to score. There are also two American forwards in the scrum, CTR2 Jason Todd and EA2 Dan Johnson. Their play is marked by hard hitting in the ruck and a tendency to leave opponents lying in broken heaps as they roar by. Todd is an extremely successful newcomer, playing for Stratmore's first and second teams.

Rugby, while exciting to watch, is a game that should be played to be fully appreciated. For some of us it helps quell that longing to strap on shoulder pads and a helmet. Others take the local opinion that the truly rugged don't need all that padding. Either way, with the chilly breezes of Autumn and Winter upon us, the desire for the "long bomb," "pulling guards," and "blitzing linebackers" has, for at least four Americans, been replaced with "scrum," "try," "touch line," "pitch," and "ruck."



Volleyball

Photography by JO2 Melanie Barnett



Photography by CTR3 Rebecca Robbins

(photo right) MWR sponsored a Volleyball Tournament October 21 through October 24. Four teams participated in the tournament the Chiefs, Officers, WJWP, and Misc. The Officers battle to win this volley over WJWP. (above) The Chiefs bump it over the net and regroup for the return volley from the Officers. The Chiefs took first place in the tournament.

Tournament Results

1st Place		
Chiefs	3	0
2nd Place		
Officers	2	2
3rd Place		
WJWP	1	2
4th Place		
Misc.	0	2





- Files

I staggered into the office firmly mired in a thick precoffee haze. The familiar sights failed to bring me to life as I stumbled to my desk and sat down. My hand shot out for my coffee cup, but I grasped only air. Panic seized control. My coffee cup was not on my desk. Somebody moved it, **SOMEbody WANTS TO DIE**. A quick glance around the office revealed its location. Who put my mug by the microwave? Several steps later and my holy grail was once again in my hands. My euphoria was shattered when I realized someone had washed my cup, oh well one wash a year couldn't hurt it too much.

My early morning fog was lifting slowly. The third cup of joe was kicking in and my fingers and toes had started to thaw. The world beyond my coffee cup came in to focus. Something was wrong with my desk. It was missing something, but I couldn't figure it out. Then it hit me harder than an XO flamespray. Whoever cleaned my coffee mug hadn't stopped there. My artistic coffee stains . . . gone. The ten foot stack of paperwork . . . gone. My collection of six hundred paper clips painstakingly linked together . . . gone. Even the crumbs under my desk had been swept up. What kind of sick person would do something like this? How was I supposed to find anything? A cluttered desk is a sign of a cluttered mind, but what is a clean, sterile desk a sign of? **THEY** were obviously at work, undermining my productivity. **THEY** had even emptied my circular file. My most important papers had been stored there. This was more than just annoying, it was down right inhuman. Well if **THEY** wanted to play hardball, **THEY** picked the wrong guy to mess with.

As I fumed over it, I picked through my disastrously underfull inbox. There was a report from LT Hummer about some guy born in December. I tossed it into the circular file, like I do with most of his reports. I was flipping through the rest of the incoming reports when a thought forced it's way through the coffee soaked corridors in my brain. Why was LT Hummer writing about December when it was only September? I retrieved the holy document and wiped off the coffee grounds. It was dated November 14. November, it couldn't be November! By my reckoning it was only September.

I was mulling this over when a cheery voice chirped out, "How was your leave sir?" I looked up to see JO2 Scully.

"Leave?" I asked.

"Yes sir, we didn't find your leave papers until after you had checked out."

Something was up. I couldn't remember taking any leave. The last thing I remembered was talking to LTjg "Babyface" Marhaffer. Maybe she could trigger my memory.

"Scully, I'm going to talk to LTjg Marhaffer."

"She transferred, sir."

Transferred. How convenient.

"Well who's over at Public Works?"

"They moved a bunch of ET's over there, sir."

Extra terrestrials moving in on Public Works; extra terrestrials in league with **THEY**. Looks like **THEY** did a little reorganizing while I was "on leave." Well I would still get to the bottom of this.

The phone started playing it's tune and Scully picked it up. She gave a couple of yes sirs then hung up the phone.

"The XO wants to see you and he sounds mad, sir."

I grabbed my O coat and hit the door. It was good to see that **THEY** couldn't change some things.

Seasonal Affective Disorder

Are you 'S.A.D'? About 10% of Americans who live in Northern regions where there is little winter sunlight suffer from seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

Another 20% suffer from a milder form of SAD, sometimes called "winter blues."

Classic symptoms of SAD and "winter blues" include depression, mild anxiety; fatigue; withdrawal from social situations; overeating; a craving for sweets and carbohydrates; oversleeping; and a lack of energy, enthusiasm, and concentration.

These symptoms peak in the fall and winter months, and disappear when the days become longer and brighter.

TIPS:

* Even when there's cloud cover, try to get outside at least 30 to 45 minutes a day. (A daily exercise walk is a good way to do this.)

* If you have severe symptoms that are not helped with exposure to outdoor light, regular exercise and a winter vacation, talk to your doctor. You may need "phototherapy" or antidepressant medication.

Taken from the HOPE Health Letter, October 1996.

Shopping Spree

Mr. Robert Kelly was the winner of a \$100.00 shopping spree. The presentation of the check was made at the NSGA Edzell Commissary by Mr. Clifton Rouse, Defense Commissary Security Officer and Mrs. Margaret Ritchie, Vendor Representative. Well done Mr. Kelly.

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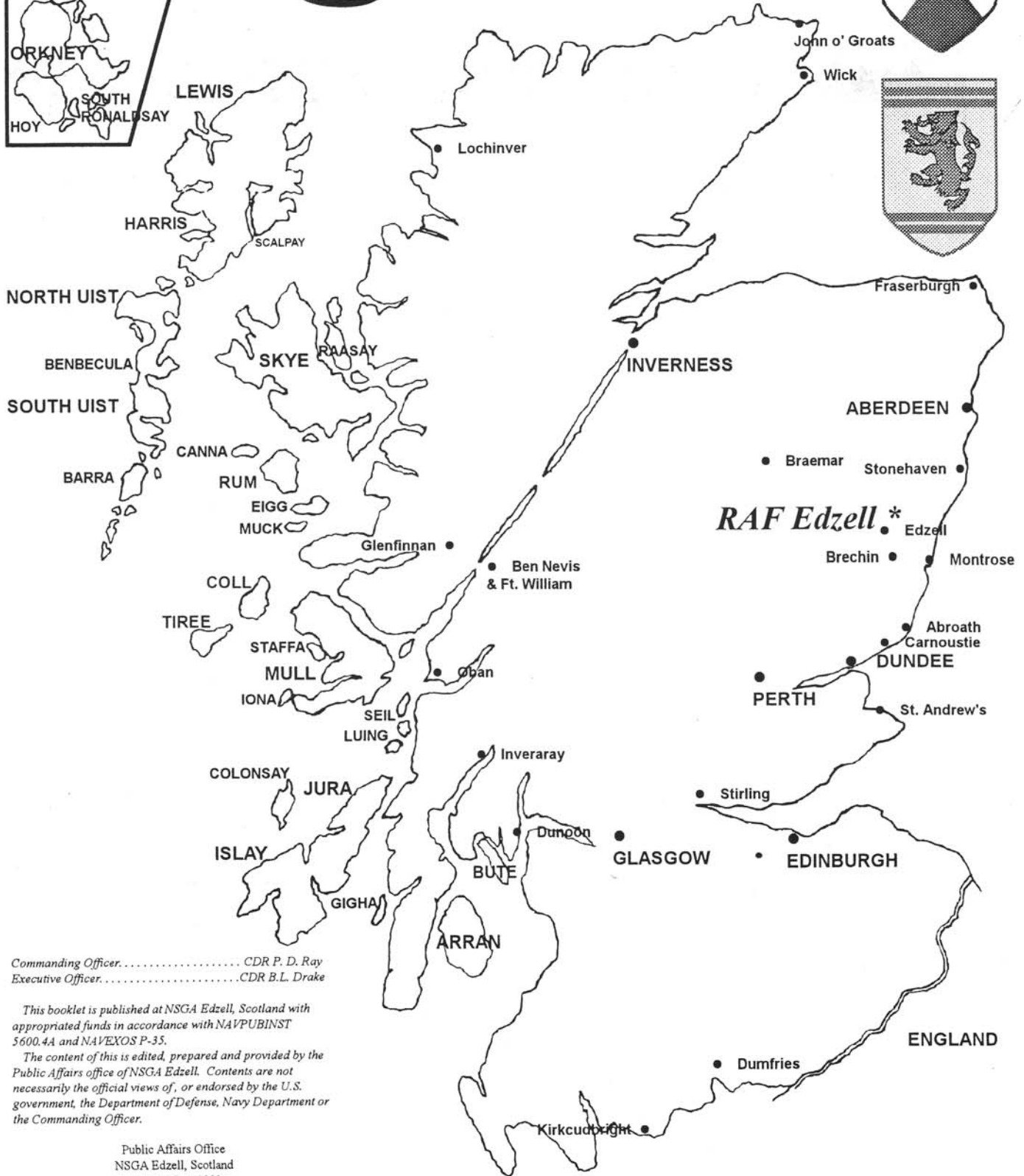
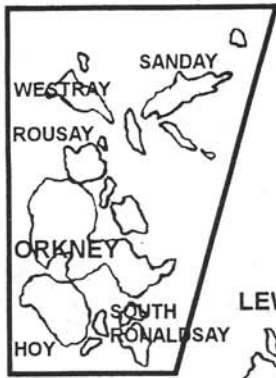
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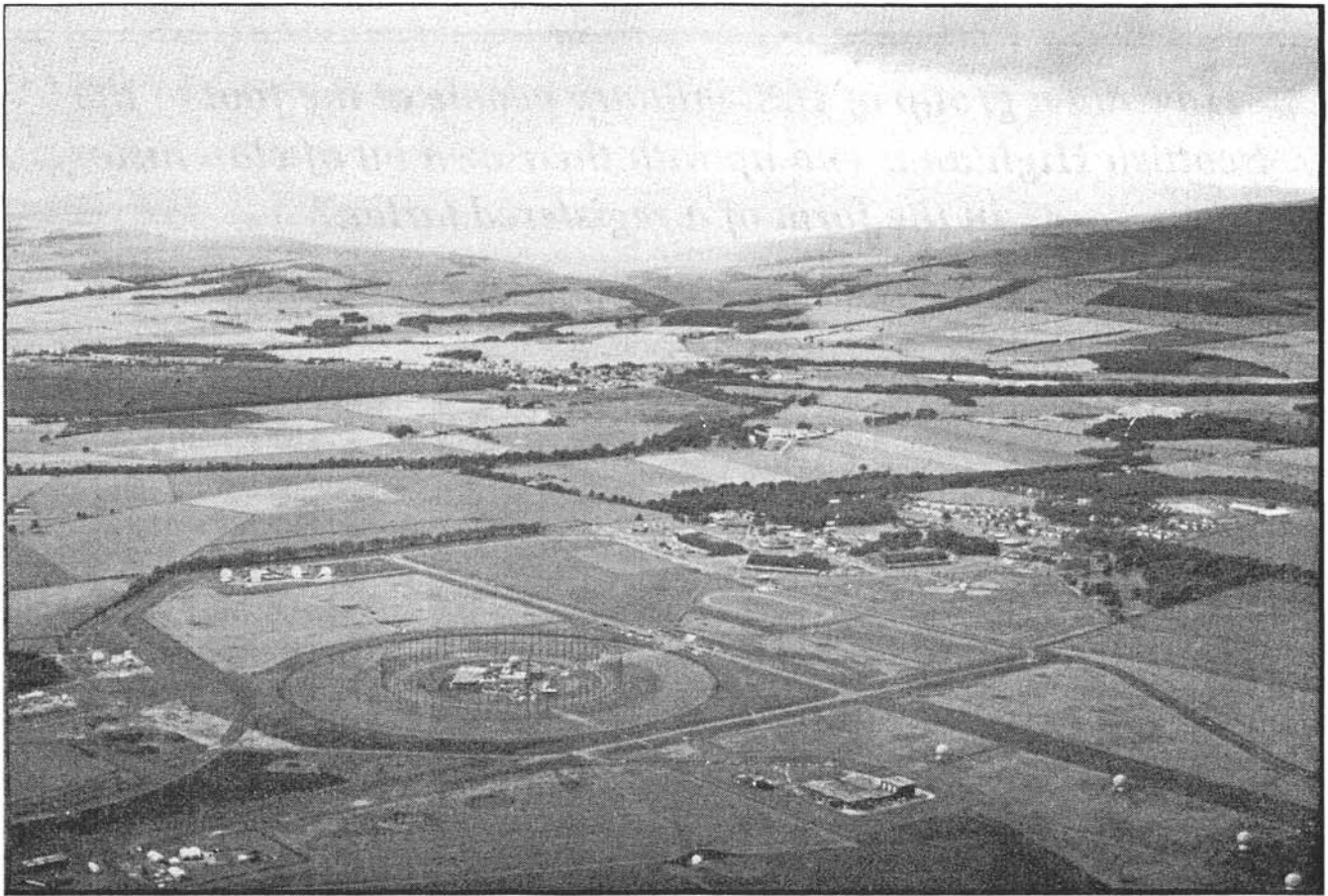


Commanding Officer..... CDR P. D. Ray
Executive Officer..... CDR B.L. Drake

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On many maps of Scotland there is no trace of Edzell. But nestled in the foothills of the Grampian Mountains, approximately 40 miles south of Aberdeen and 90 miles north of Edinburgh, is the U.S. Naval Security Group Activity, Edzell, Scotland.

Officially established in July 1960 when one naval officer and eight enlisted personnel reported for duty, the command has grown rapidly and now accommodates approximately 1800 military personnel members and their families. However, the history of RAF Edzell dates back to the second world war, over twenty years before the establishment of NSGA Edzell.

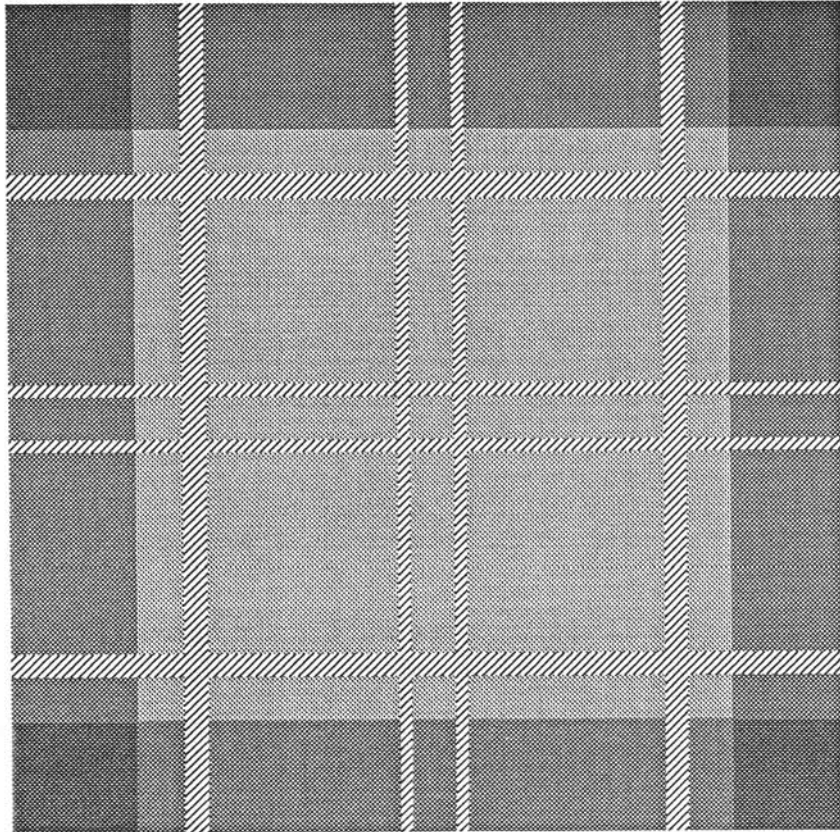
The base is located four miles north of the village of Edzell, which it takes its name from,

and occupies 443 acres of farmland. Its mission is High Frequency Direction Finding and providing communications support to the Navy and other Department of Defense elements.

This publication is printed to honor the 56 year history of the base, the people who served here and the legacy they left behind.

OS-CEANN NA H-UILE
"ABOVE ALL OTHERS"

How did a group of U.S. military people at the foot of the Scottish Highlands end up with their own bit of clan history in the form of a registered tartan?



Well, it all started in February 1985, when Mrs. Janet Demech, wife of the former commanding officer, went to the Strathmore Woolen company, Ltd. in Forfar to have a kilt made. While there, Mr. Arthur Mackie, manager of the Strathmore shop brought up the idea of RAF Edzell having its own special tartan. Pleased with the idea, Mrs. Demech asked Mr. Mackie if his shop could come up with a design for approval. Several designs later, along with the artistic

invention of Mrs. Demech and Mrs. Pam Schaffer, wife of then Cmdr. Schaffer, the new exclusive U.S. Navy Edzell tartan was unveiled at the 25th Anniversary Celebration of NSGA Edzell's establishment on 6 July 1985. (Capt. Schaffer was then the operations officer.)

The 100% wool cloth, is made up of squares (called sets), 5.5" by 5.25" in size, with each set repeating the pattern and colors of the plaid. The dark blue color was chosen to represent the U.S. Navy, light blue for the U.S. Air

Force, red stripes for the U.S. Marine Corps and the Army, while the white is for the waves of the ocean.

The tartan's pattern, colors and set are one of 1600 registered tartans in Edinburgh. The fee for registration was paid for by the Strathmore Company, and since they hold the registration, which is similar to a patent, they are the only company who can now produce the cloth. The registered title of the tartan is "U.S. Navy (Edzell)."



CDR Philip D. Ray
NSGA Edzell
Commanding Officer

Commander Ray, a native Tennessean, was commissioned as an Ensign in June 1975 upon graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management. He was designated as a Cryptologic Special Duty Officer in November 1977.

From September 1977 to February 1980, while assigned to Naval Security Group Activity Northwest, Chesapeake, Virginia, he held various positions which included Administrative Officer, Signals Security Training Division Officer, Signals Security Fleet Support Officer and the High Frequency Direction Finding (outstation) Division Officer.

From June 1980 to September 1982, then-Lieutenant Ray was assigned as the first OUTBOARD Division Officer on USS BIDDLE (CG-34). As such, he oversaw the system installation, calibration and acceptance. During this assignment he made two extended deployments to the Mediterranean where he was involved in operations in the Gulf of Sidra which resulted in the August 1981 shootdown of two Libyan MIG-23's, the PLO evacuation of Beirut and two Black Sea Operations.

From October 1982 to September 1984, he was assigned to the Staff, COMCRUDESGRU TWELVE as the Staff Cryptologist and Assistant Intelligence Officer. Again, he made two extended deployments. The first was to the Indian Ocean on USS AMERICA (CV-66) where the battle group provided presence in the North Arabian Sea and the second to the Mediterranean on the USS SARATOGA (CV-60).

Commander Ray was then assigned to serve as the Fleet Electronic Warfare Officer and Assistant Fleet Cryptologist on the Staff, Commander Sixth Fleet from September 1984 to June 1986. During this tour of duty he was involved in operations during the Achille Lauro and TWA flight 848 hijacking crises and strike operations against Libya.

In June 1986, Commander Ray reported to Naval

Communications Station Rota, Spain, first as the Operations Officer and later as the Assistant Head of the Naval Security Group Department. From June 1989 to June 1991, Commander Ray was the Junior Cryptologic Officer Detailer at the Bureau of Naval Personnel (PERS 4410B). The following year he served at the Naval Security Group Command as the Director, Special Technology Development Division.

Commander Ray reported to CINCUSNAVEUR June 1992 to serve as the Assistant, Deputy Chief of Staff for Cryptology and Assistant Director Naval Security Group Europe.

Commander Ray is married to the former Cheryl Ann Jackson of Washington D.C. They have one son, Bryan.



Squadron Leader Steve Bowen
RAF Commander

Squadron Leader Bowen was born on 2 June 1949 in South Wales, and educated in Neath. He joined the RAF in 1966 as a Medical Administrator, and shortly afterwards reenlisted to Radio Operator. The majority of his 15 years was served in communications in Germany, mainly in Berlin. In July 1986, he graduated from the RAF College Cranwell, and served his first three commissioned tours as an Operations Officer at Signals Units in the UK and Germany. He also served a tour on the staff of the Communications Analysis Training School at RAF North Luffenham. From September 1991 until December 1994, he served as Property and Estate Manager at RAF Gatow, Berlin, and was the last RAF Officer to leave the Station on closure. After a year at RAF Lyneham as a personnel administrator, he was promoted to Squadron Leader to take over as RAF Commander at RAF Edzell. He is married, and lives with his wife, Sue, in family quarters. He also has two grown sons, ages 23 and 20. He enjoys sports, and after playing representative rugby for over 20 years in the RAF, he now officiates for civilian and RAF rugby societies. He also likes most outdoor pursuits, especially fishing and walking, and plays golf and bridge for recreation. Other interests include languages, particularly German and Russian.



The mission of the early occupants of RAF Edzell (M.U. No. 44) was to fit aircraft fresh off the production line with machine guns, in other words, make the aircraft "combat ready."

On 1 August, 1940, Squadron Leader S.W. Thomas assumed command of the brand new RAF installation as operations commenced for its first occupants, the Number 44 Maintenance Unit (M.U.) of the Royal Air Force. Their mission was to fit aircraft fresh off the production line with armament and, in general, make the planes combat-ready. The first aircraft, a Hurricane, arrived on 13 August and was housed in an unfinished hangar. No. 44 M.U. was ordered to prepare as many Hurricanes as possible to replace losses in the fighting over Southern England.

Rigger, Mr. C.H. Brown, assigned to No. 44 during the early years, recalls: "For about six weeks we never had a kite sent over to us for daily inspection or repair. All we did was sweep the hangar floor with a two-foot broom to remove the cement, dust, and occasionally took part in

some physical training. When eventually we had a Hurricane sent over to us, there was a queue of fitters to get the job."

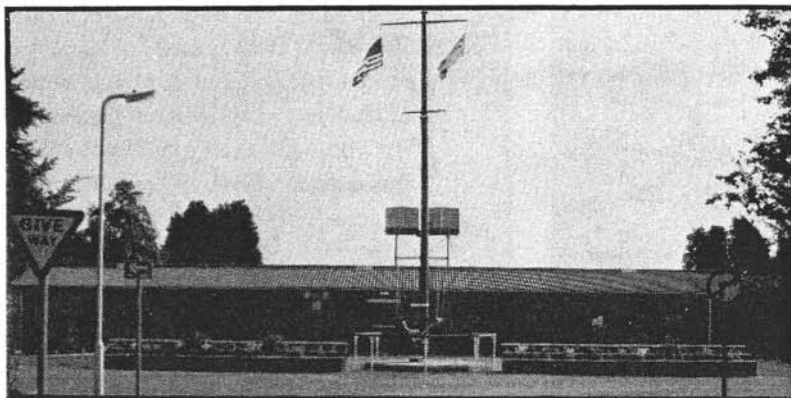
"That winter I remember spending hours clearing the runways and airplane wings of snow. The snow was hedge-high and we lost two airmen trying to get from one side of the airfield to the other. A search party was sent out and when they were found one was taken to the hospital with frostbite and exhaustion."

One of the more important jobs for members of the No. 44 M.U. was the proper synchronization of the machine guns with the plane's propellers. The Edzell mechanics also repaired damaged planes and it was common to see Queen Mary's (RAF trailer trucks) bringing aircraft to the base. Aircrews often flew in from front line squadrons to replace airplanes lost in action and virtually all of the different types of aircraft in the British arsenal

came through Edzell: Hurricanes, Whitleys, Hampdens, Mosquitos, Halifaxes, Sterlings, Defiants, Deauforts and Wellingtons.

After World War II the base was used primarily to scrap airplanes, and literally hundreds stood in the fields across from the base. No. 44 M.U. continued operations until April 1949, when the unit was disestablished. However, the base was reactivated shortly thereafter in June 1950 and the No. 63 Maintenance Unit was installed. No. 63 repaired and recovered damaged aircraft.

During this second phase of operations, several major improvements were made to the base. The 54 units of RAF housing were erected in the early 1950's, and our Commanding Officer today uses the same house the RAF Commander did. Edzell was a large base, and while no exact manning figures exist today, there may have easily been 400 people working on the base. In the brush of



The Administration Building. Since the activation of NSGA Edzell, the administrative and support side of the base has undergone moderate change. Many of the original barracks and work buildings have been removed, but the offices once utilized by former RAF commanders and their adjutants are now used by the present NSGA Commanding Officer and Executive Officer.

Shepherd's Wood and Cleary's Wood are the foundations and walls of what was called South Camp. The bunkers are now pocketed with rabbit holes and the single plane hangars have long since disappeared, but in the 1940's it was an important part of RAF Edzell.

During the war, two bombs were dropped just off the end of the north-south runway, landing harmlessly in an open field. Apparently a lone German bomber, separated from the formation that was bombing Montrose, was looking for Edzell base. Having found it, he tried to put the runway out of commission (there was just the one at the time), but failed. Also among the more notable happenings, several planes crashed in the hills west of Edzell during the war. The most renowned of these was a Liberator. Flying out of Leuchars in October 1944, the Liberator went down on the Hill of Wirren. There were seven deaths among the eleven-man crew. The nearly complete skeleton of a Wellington can be seen above Loch Lee, in the Grampian foothills.

One of the most renowned visitors at Edzell was then Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Churchill landed

at Edzell on his way to a meeting with King George VI at Balmoral. While here, the Prime Minister flashed his famous victory sign and threw away a cigar butt. The butt was grabbed as a memento and is still in the possession of a local family.

The administrative and support side of the base has changed very little physically since the 1940's. The area now occupied by the Chapel, Legal, ESO classrooms and the University of Maryland was where the women (WAAFs) of the base lived. Coincidentally, or maybe not so coincidentally, the women were quartered across from the guardhouse. The main administrative offices of RAF Edzell are those now used by NSGA Edzell. The RAF Commander and his adjutant utilized the same offices that the present Commanding Officer and Executive Officer now use. In the event of a gas attack, the base had a decontamination center. That center is now the home of the Photo Lab, Public Affairs Office, Bank of Scotland and the Print Shop. Beneath the present layers of paint in the Print Shop are labels for gas masks and there was a wooden sign in the front of the room detailing

decontamination procedures. The main RAF storeroom has become today's Supply and PSD. The middle wing of the building also served as a fire station for a period of time. The RAF workshops were located in what is now Public Works. The Motor Pool is in the exact same location as it was forty years ago. The NAAFI canteen could be found at approximately the same location as today's Highland Galley, and served the same purpose. Also, a mobile food cart accommodated the various hangars around the base perimeter.

When the RAF advance party arrived in 1940, quarters were not yet available and the men had to sleep on improvised beds of straw. Within a year of their arrival, the quarters, consisting of 22 wings, were completed with outdoor head and shower facilities. These buildings served as transient barracks and home to U.S. Marine personnel prior to demolition in August/September 1986. Marine Company B headquarters moved in May 1986, after renovation, to what was formerly the CPO quarters, and USMC personnel now occupy a wing of Campbell Hall. The upper floor of Campbell Hall is designated as Navy CPO quarters. The galley, which served the RAF in 1940, served NSGA Edzell until 1985 when a new galley was constructed adjacent to the new enlisted quarters near Loch Wee. Medical was in the same building where it is located today. The former NCO mess is today's car wash.

One of the more unusual features of the base is that it has its own lake, Loch Wee. The lake, however, did not exist in 1940. The lake was formed by natural seepage as local crews removed gravel from the area to build the second main runway in 1944. Even during the RAF days the lake



During the 1940's, photographs like this were usually classified, and the hangars' rooftops were camouflaged, while inside crewmen serviced a variety of aircraft such as Hurricanes, Wellingtons, and Mosquitos.

was stocked with fish. Airmen caught fish in the nearby North Esk River and carried them by bucket to Loch Wee. The lake also became the home of mortar rounds, ammunition, airplane parts, old cars and just about everything imaginable. The original Officers' Club, located between Loch Wee and Halsey School, was demolished. USA quarters now stand in approximately the same area as the old Officers' Club.

Outside the main area of the base, two hangars were located at about the same place as Halsey School. Approaching the two hangars, the soccer pitch could be found on the right. Also near the school stand pillboxes where sentries stood duty to control access to the base. Two additional hangars were located near the base dump and the remaining concrete floor slabs still exist.

A new post exchange was built in 1956 convenient to the base housing. Today it is the Child Care Center. The Navy Exchange Laundromat of today housed the manager of the post exchange in the 1950's. A special undertaking was the construction of a new Sergeants' Mess, with the grand opening planned for Christmas 1957.

Unfortunately, Edzell, caught up in the military cutbacks associated with times of peace, was deactivated in November 1957, and the building was never used.

RAF Edzell languished in a caretaker status under the cognizance of RAF Leuchars, but the inactive RAF Edzell was not completely abandoned after deactivation. While no Commanding Officer could be found in the Administration Building during the years 1958/1959, a small contingent of British Air Ministry Works Directorate personnel maintained the grounds of the base. Motor races were held on the runways and a gliding club used the hangars where Halsey School is now located.

In an era of aggressive United States foreign policy, close Anglo-American diplomatic relations, and technological advances that allowed for rapid and continuing communications systems design, a greater U.S. presence in Great Britain was viewed favorably. Examination of several locations conducted in 1958 by the United States revealed Edzell to be an ideal home for the U.S. Navy. RAF Edzell was chosen to house a new European Security Group Unit.

In May 1959, a large party from U.S. Navy Headquarters in London visited RAF Edzell. A Memorandum of Understanding between the Royal Air Force and the United States Navy was defined in late 1959 with responsibility transferring effective 1 December 1959. (Title to the land is still retained by the British Ministry of Defense.) On 11 February 1960, the U.S. Navy officially took over RAF Edzell in a brief ceremony held in blizzard conditions. The RAF service flag was first lowered, then raised simultaneously with the stars and stripes. Presiding officials were: CDR A.J. Pelletier, representing the Commander-in-Chief, United States Naval Force for the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean Area (fore-runner of Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe), and Squadron Leader P.I. Redford, representing the commander of RAF Leuchars. According to LT J. Gordon Hill, head of the advance party, there would be no missiles, planes or radar at Edzell. He also estimated that the base would eventually billet 400 military personnel. The entire American contingent, including dependents, lived in the Glenesk Hotel in Edzell.

The U.S. Naval Security Group Activity was officially established by SECNAV NOTE 5450 of 18 May 1960, effective 1 July 1960 with CAPT John S. Lehman, Commanding Officer. Rehabilitation of existing structures and the construction of new operational buildings began almost immediately. By August of 1960, over £1.5 million worth of contracts had been approved. Initially, personnel lived off base. Unused prior to the fall of 1960, the RAF Sergeants Mess was opened for use as an enlisted quarters and dining facility. Approximately thirty men lived in what is now the pool room,

stacked in racks three high, and several more lived in what is now the lounge area of the bar. The petty officers of the command lived upstairs. The first bar operated in the back storage area of the present bar and beer sold for only 10 cents a can. By the end of 1960, nearly 100 personnel were stationed at Edzell.

On 15 August 1960, the construction of an interim operations building began. Now known as the little red school house and used as an antenna riggers storage shed, the building became operational in February 1961. The original communications center for the base was located in today's Child Care Center. Realizing the limitations of these two operational facilities, the 81st Congress approved \$3,235,000 for construction of the current operations building. The groundbreaking ceremonies were held on 10 January 1961, but completion of this major construction project was still two years in the future.



Although the De Havilland Vampire was never assigned to Edzell, there is evidence that the jets were once flown from the Edzell runways by 612 Squadron of the Royal Auxillary Air Force.

In June 1961, major rehabilitation work began on the services side of the base. Twenty-year-old buildings were refurbished and updated for American use. The first facility actually turned over was the barracks (now the home of the Company B offices). Each of the watch sections occupied a separate wing. In 1961, each of the wings was an open bay, and a first class petty officer (E-6) was assigned to each wing to help keep order.

Throughout the initial start-up period, equipment arrived by the truckload, often off-loading at 1900 or 2000. The first commanding officer, CAPT Lehman, was frequently found working alongside the men, unloading vans in the warehouse. In the early days if a truck arrived during meal time, the galley would simply close and all present were drafted for a working party.

In those days, rail service was available to Edzell village, and base vehicles regularly made the three-mile trip to pick up materials arriving by train. Delivery of goods to the base was a relatively simple matter, however, the 100-foot-long antenna poles proved to be a special problem. At that time, the Brechin bypass did not exist, so the poles had to be maneuvered through the town of Brechin. Especially vulnerable to the poles was Duncan Jewelers, and several times the poles narrowly missed breaking out the shop windows.

In 1963, attention was directed from the essential to the recreational aspect of RAF Edzell. A blueprint was prepared detailing most of the services currently found in the Command Training/Teen Center. The first to open was the bowling alley in December 1963. Funds for the construction of the bowling alley were partially met by raising the price of

beer in the club to 15 cents, the extra nickel going toward construction costs.

One very significant change at the base, though, is its populace. With more than 900 military personnel and their families based at RAF Edzell, the population has more than tripled since the days of Number 44 Maintenance Unit. Even as 1993 brought about rampant budget cuts and base closures, RAF Edzell's population has continued to increase.

Consisting mostly of American military personnel, Edzell's population is approximately 2,180 strong including military families and civilian workers.

Edzell employs approximately 249 British nationals, and for the past two years, 11.3 million pounds has been spent locally by the command on supplies, utilities, and salaries.

The Housing Referral Office has become a valuable asset to the command. A group of military personnel has actively set up a new program where they inspect potential properties and work with the landlords to upgrade and renovate houses to be placed on the housing list.

There are 144 housing units located at the command, 90 of which are prefabricated USA styled homes built in the States and reassembled here, and 54 RAF homes which have recently been upgraded to meet USA standards. There are 17 housing units located in the Inverbervie area 19 miles north of the base along the North Sea. Approximately 102 government leased housing units are located in the Brechin area, nine miles south of the base. These homes also allow us to have local neighbors. The base is currently one-third of its original size; occupying 443 acres of farm land located four miles north of the village of Edzell.



Each year NSGA Edzell hold its Scottish-American Youth Sports Fun Day. On this day, the command invites local primary students to the base for a day of sports and fun.

RAF Edzell

has become well known for its highly visible and successful community relations program. The command has won the 1990, 1991 and 1992 RADM Thompson award for the best community relations program U.S. Navy wide. The base sponsors tours to military and local visitors throughout the year, while the command's Morale Welfare and Recreations Department provides the base populace with tourist and holiday information outside of the command.

The Community Relations Adviser and the Public Affairs Officer work closely together throughout the year to inform command members about the local area and to encourage participation in the numerous events and activities available both on and off base. The two offices meet regularly with the Commanding Officer and Executive Officer to keep them fully appraised of all developments. They develop ideas, organize events and solicit volunteers from throughout the command. They also respond to requests and queries from the local community and provide all manners of guidance to base

personnel in matters concerning community relations and life in the United Kingdom. A list of annual events provided by the command includes the following:

Command Reception - Sponsored as a "thank you" gesture to the many local (non-business) people who support the base throughout the year. Attended by over 160 local guests drawn from all areas of public life.

Scottish-American Youth Sports Fun Day - An event to bring Scottish children together with American children for a fun afternoon of American sports (American football, basketball and softball).

Annual Ceilidh - An evening of Scottish food, music, singing and dancing held on the base. Entertainment includes a Scottish pipe band, highland dancers and Scottish country dancing for everyone.

Christmas Shopping Mall - Sponsored by four base wives organizations, last year's event was attended by over 60 merchants and raised over 1400 pounds to be used throughout the year in support of local charity works.

Independence Day Celebration - Events include fireworks displays, a parade, highland dancers, and a two

day carnival. This year's celebration was a three day event and an estimated 5,000 visitors were on hand to partake in the festivities.

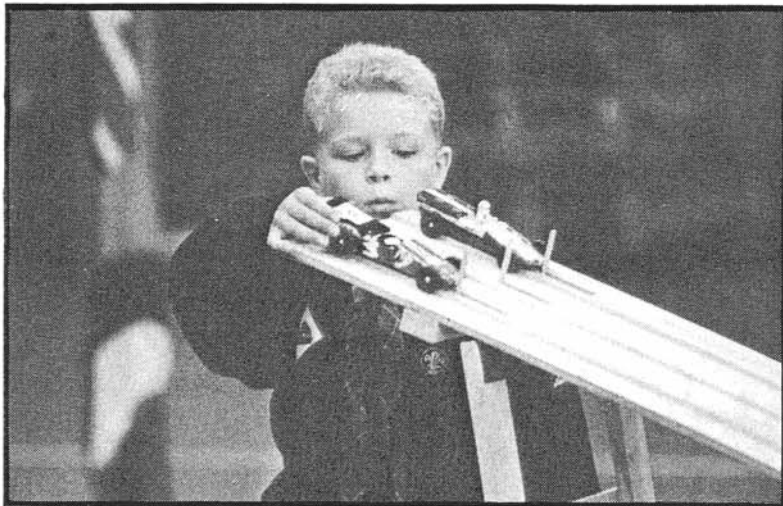
Fall Arts Festival - A variety of events to include the talents of local artists, choral ensembles and theatrical organizations.

Scottish American Pinewood Derby - An annual competition hosted at the base by Cub Scouts based at the command. The scouts compete for the fastest hand-made wooden model cars.

Although the offices of the CRA and PAO are tasked primary with the mission of developing and maintaining a strong relationship with the local community, there are several organizations on base that help in the accomplishment of this goal.

These organizations, both military and social, in the past have donated their time and money in support of the local community. Command sponsored organizations such as the Acey Deucey Association (E-5 through E-6 military personnel) and the Chief Petty Officer's Association (E-7 through E-9) are continually active in the local community by setting up and assisting in local charities and sponsoring local organizations to base functions such as the Independence Day Celebration. The 1993 celebration, in which the base was opened up to the public, was the first of its kind to be held at Edzell.

The base also provides support to the local community by assisting with a variety of festive events held within the surrounding area such as the Brechin Pageant and the Edzell Gala. Often, there are requests for the Command's Ceremonial Unit to perform at local celebrations with a presentation of America's colors as well as put on a display of high precision drill and rifle maneuvers. In the past, local teens from the village

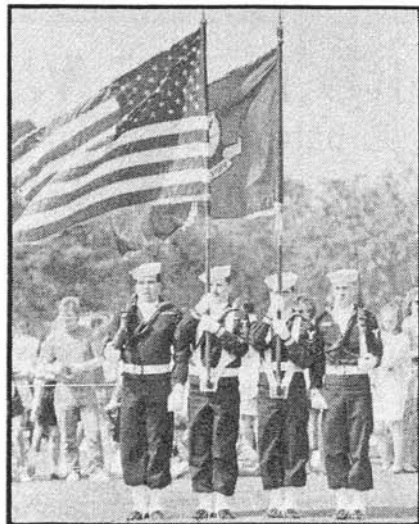


Scottish-American Pinewood Derby is an annual competition hosted at the base by Cub Scouts based at the RAF Edzell. The scouts compete for best decorated and fastest wooden man-made cars.

of Edzell were treated to a movie at the base theater during the Edzell Gala week. This usually gives the teens a night out before the new school year starts up.

In 1992, the command's U.S. Armed Forces Tug of War Team made history as they were selected to represent the United States Military in the World Tug of War Championship. The invitation to attend such a honorable and prestigious event, held in the Republic of Ireland with intense competition from 65 other teams representing 24 countries, came after the Edzell team upset the undefeated Canadian team and took their first gold medal at the Royal Tournament in September of that year. Coached by Mr. Ken Miller of Edinburgh, the tug team has membership in the Scottish Tug of War Association.

Since its early days in the 1940's, RAF Edzell has strived to become a vital part of the local community. By developing a close relationship with the outside community, Edzell is destined to remain second to none, "OS-CEANN NA H-UILE."



Community Relations Achievement & Excellence

Ambassador of the United States of America Award
1966, 1969, 1972, 1974, 1978, 1982, 1983, 1995

U.S. Navy League London Award
1977, 1979, 1981, 1983, 1984, 1993

Rear Admiral William Thompson Award
1985, 1990, 1991, 1992

Chief of Information Merit Award
1983, 1987, 1991, 1992

(left) RAF Edzell's Command Ceremonial Unit presenting colors at the Brechin Pageant. (below) RAF Edzell's vocal ensemble performing in Edinburgh.





De Havilland D.H. 115 Vampire XD542 "Guardian of the Gate"



De Havilland 115 Vampire T11 XD542

The De Havilland type 115 Vampire T11 XD542 aircraft arrived from RAF Cranwell, England, on July 16, 1991, where it had been on display since 1975.

The De Havilland type 115 Vampire was built at the De Havilland company's works at Broughton, Chester, England as part of a military aircraft contract. The XD542 was assigned to the Number 10 Maintenance Unit (M.U.) at Hullavington, England on July 5, 1954, and had only been in service for a short period of time when it suffered a flying accident that rendered it beyond local repair. On 1 November 1954 a team from 60 M.U., RAF Dishforth, England, began repairs on the aircraft which were completed by Christmas of that year.

Although the XD542 was never assigned to RAF Edzell, there is evidence that Vampire jets were once flown from the Edzell runways by 612 Squadron of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

The eventual display of De Havilland Type Vampire T11 XD542 at RAF Edzell was culmination of many long hours of tedious work. On 2 October 1991, 77 days after arriving at RAF Edzell the Vampire was successfully placed on its plinth. In keeping with Royal Air Force custom, Vampire XD542 now serves as the "Gate Guardian" of RAF Edzell.

