

# Media Report 22 OCT 2021

This weeks media reports will cover and answer great questions veterans are still asking such as **Frequently asked questions regarding COVID-19 in Ottawa**. Due to ongoing and evolving COVID-19 pandemic callers may experience increased wait times when calling the Government of Canada Pension Center. Callers may also experience dropped calls, as all telecommunication networks across Canada are presently facing capacity challenges. and local Media Articles and An illness or injury can have an impact on your ability to adjust to life after service. We all need healthcare services. The Treatment benefits program provides coverage for a variety of benefits and services to help you get—and stay healthy. Have you made an application for disability benefits from Veterans Affairs Canada and received a decision? If you disagree with that decision, you have the right to review or appeal

## Canada

Total Percentage of population vaccinated	Total Percentage of population fully vaccinated	Eligible (12+) Percentage of population vaccinated	Eligible (12+) Percentage of population fully vaccinated
77.28%	72.80%	88.34%	83.21%
+0.06%	+0.12%	+0.07%	+0.13%

Total doses administered	First doses	Second doses	Third+ doses	Received doses administered
57,716,554	29,548,481	27,834,895	333,178	89.02%
+78,076	+22,712	+44,308	+11,056	+0.12%

### MESSAGE TO NATO VETERANS 22 OCTOBER 2021

I was surprised to read in the “Ottawa Citizen” (7 Oct) an article on “re-branding” veterans support, and I sent emails to Ted Bransfield [CWO Sapper (ret)] and Admiral [ret] Ron Buck asking what is going on? They are both part of the Leadership of *Perley-Rideau Veterans Health Centre* and they are both part of the NVOC Executive. Ted is active {First Vice and he sends the Friday messages to members} and the Admiral is Advisory – as is our Patron Gen [ret] Manson and Gen [ret] David Edgecomb.

I do not concern myself much with NVOC membership, as much as I do about our “advocacy” with VAC. They have a new DM and I have some concerns about backsliding. Seems to me that Veterans are all too often in a defensive crouch?

My email:

HEALTH CENTRE REBRAND. Veterans – names from the photo of veterans- were they “puppets”? ..”....*were among those at the ceremony Wednesday renaming the former Perley-Rideau Veterans Health Centre The Perley Health Community of Care. The new name is part of a long term*

*care strategic plan to transform care for seniors and veterans at the centre.”*

You both know what is going on at Perley – what do we need to tell our members? Is this a worry for veterans?

*“...long term care strategic plan to transform care for seniors and veterans “- means nonsense to me tonight.*

RESPONSE FROM THE ADMIRAL

**From:**rd\_mbuck

**Sent:**Saturday, October 9, 2021 7:57 AM

We also plan to push VAC on providing more LTC for modern Veterans as I indicated in my last email.

The Perley commitment to Veterans remains rock solid.

In fact we have also renamed the Rideau wing as the Rideau Veterans Residence so that we can convince VAC to increase our number of modern Veterans beds from 65 to 105/130

This rebranding was done to broaden our donor base because many only thought of Perley as a Veterans home when in fact we are so much more including 230 community beds, a community of care and a Centre of Excellence in Frailty Informed Care.

We have also created a special brand known as Perley Veterans.

I am Chair of Perley’s Strategic Planning Committee and I can assure you that Veterans remain front and centre to our way ahead.

Where we need your help is with VAC!Happy to take any questions or to arrange a briefing.

MY COMMENT – NVOC from it’s beginning has been focused on Long Term Care of Veterans and the family. We must stay alert!

My intention is to give you several articles well in advance!

Randy

### **Veterans’ Week 2021 / Pour exécution : Semaine des vétérans 2021**

*Le texte en français suit...*

Dear colleagues,

Every year, in the lead up to Remembrance Day, we mark Veterans’ Week from November 5 to 11. This week presents an opportunity for Canadians to honour those who have served our country in times of war, military conflict and peace. We thank you for your continued support in promoting remembrance initiatives.

2021 marks a number of significant military milestones from the First World War to present day operations, including the 10th anniversary of the end of Canada’s combat mission in Afghanistan. As such, this year’s theme is “Service, courage and sacrifice—at home, around the world and across generations.”

This Veterans’ Week, encourage your contacts to take a moment to think about the freedoms we all enjoy, thanks to the brave Canadians who have put our country before themselves. On November 8— Indigenous Veterans Day—we recognize the many contributions of First Nations, Métis and Inuit throughout our military history.

As the ongoing pandemic is still affecting our traditional ceremonies of remembrance, it is more

important than ever to hear and share the stories of the remarkable legacies that our service people have built over the course of Canada's long military history.

Again this year, we will launch a new series of our [Faces of Freedom podcast](#), where you can hear Veterans share their stories directly. You can also read a wide variety of them via our [Faces of Freedom](#) and [They proudly served](#) profiles. Some featured are Veterans of the war years; others are Veterans of peace support and humanitarian operations that took them to all corners of the world. Some Veterans served for decades; others were honourably discharged just months into their military careers. They are of diverse races and identities—some were born here, others were not. But one thing that Canada's Veterans all share is the honour of having worn a uniform for their country.

Visit [veterans.gc.ca/CanadaRemembers](http://veterans.gc.ca/CanadaRemembers) to learn about more ways to honour the service, courage and sacrifice of all those who have served Canada. Let's express our gratitude and inspire our colleagues, friends and families to participate.

Together, let's show how #CanadaRemembers.

Sincerely,

Paul Thomson

Director General, Commemoration

Veterans Affairs Canada

Faith McIntyre

Director General, Communications

Veterans Affairs Canada

Chers collègues,

Chaque année, à l'approche du jour du Souvenir, nous soulignons la Semaine des vétérans du 5 au 11 novembre. Il s'agit d'une occasion pour les Canadiens de rendre hommage aux personnes qui ont servi notre pays en temps de guerre, de conflit militaire et de paix. Nous vous remercions de votre soutien continu à la promotion des initiatives de commémoration.

L'année 2021 marque un certain nombre de jalons militaires importants, de la Première Guerre mondiale aux opérations actuelles, y compris le 10<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la fin de la mission de combat du Canada en Afghanistan. Ainsi, notre thème est «Service, courage et sacrifice – Au pays, partout dans le monde et d'une génération à l'autre».

À l'occasion de la Semaine des vétérans, nous vous invitons à encourager vos contacts à prendre un moment pour réfléchir aux libertés dont nous jouissons tous grâce aux braves Canadiens et Canadiennes qui ont servi notre pays avec abnégation. Le 8 novembre, la Journée des vétérans autochtones, nous reconnaissons les nombreuses contributions des Premières Nations, des Métis et des Inuits au cours de notre histoire militaire.

Étant donné que la pandémie en cours continue d'avoir une incidence sur nos cérémonies commémoratives traditionnelles, il est plus important que jamais d'entendre et de partager les récits de l'héritage remarquable que nos militaires ont bâti au cours de la longue histoire militaire du Canada.

Cette année encore, nous lancerons une nouvelle série d'épisodes de notre [balado Visages de la liberté](#), où vous pouvez entendre des vétérans raconter leurs histoires directement. Vous pouvez également lire une grande variété de leurs récits grâce à nos profils [Visages de la liberté](#) et [Leur service. Notre fierté](#). Certains mettent en scène des vétérans du temps de guerre, d'autres des vétérans du soutien de la paix et d'opérations humanitaires qui les ont amenés à servir aux quatre coins du monde. Certains vétérans

ont servi pendant des décennies et d'autres ont été libérés honorablement quelques mois seulement après le début de leur carrière militaire. Ces vétérans sont de diverses races et identités – certains sont nés ici, d'autres non. Mais les vétérans du Canada ont tous en commun l'honneur d'avoir porté l'uniforme au service de leur pays.

Visitez [veterans.gc.ca/LeCanadaSeSouvient](http://veterans.gc.ca/LeCanadaSeSouvient) pour connaître d'autres façons d'honorer le service, le courage et le sacrifice de toutes les personnes qui ont servi le Canada. Exprimons notre gratitude et inspirons nos collègues, amis et familles à participer.

Ensemble, montrons comment #LeCanadaSeSouvient.

Cordialement,

Paul Thomson

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**We wanted to share with you the government's announcement about the Free Flu Shots that will be available to all Ontarians starting in November. Please find below the links to the news release in English and French.**

English: [Free Flu Shot Available to all Ontarians in November](#)

French: [Vaccin antigrippal offert gratuitement à toute la population de l'Ontario en novembre](#)

**Attention Veteran Community - [Check out what's new this month!](#)**

**Each month, Salute! provides news about:**

- benefits and services available to Veterans and their families and tips on accessing them;
- remembrance and commemoration activities in Canada and abroad; and
- other events, including public discussions.

You will also see stories about today's Veterans, their challenges and successes, and how they contribute to their communities after leaving the military.

**In this edition:**

- [World Mental Health Day](#)
- [Veteran success story: Roger Chabot](#)
- [Share your views on the Rehabilitation Program](#)
- [Indigenous Veteran rocks Indigenous Day Live 2021](#)
- [Return of the Faces of Freedom Podcast series](#)
- [Apply now for community war memorial funding](#)
- [Bring the spirit of Remembrance Day into your classroom](#)

Please share Salute! with your friends and contacts so they can keep up on issues that matter to Veterans and their families. Let us know what you think about the new Salute! by [emailing us](#). Learn more [here](#).

## Careers in the federal public service

As a Veteran of Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), you bring exceptional abilities and expertise to the workplace. Along with your commitment to teamwork and your leadership skills, you can make a real difference while continuing to serve Canada.

Veterans Affairs Canada is eager to help you continue to serve your country in the federal public service.

### [Before you start](#)

Information for members and Veterans who want to apply for jobs in the federal public service.

### [Searching for jobs](#)

How to find available jobs in the public service.

### [How to read a job advertisement](#)

Understanding the terms found on a typical federal public service job advertisement.

### [Preparing your application](#)

Information to help you develop your cover letter and resume.

### [After you apply](#)

Information about how applicants are assessed.

## **FAQs**

Answers to some of the most common questions about starting a career in the federal public service.

# **Heroes Remember Interviews**

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## **Camps in Germany**

Canada's military history is best understood through the stories of the brave men and women who lived it – our Veterans. The Heroes Remember database gives us a window into the lives of ordinary Canadians who answered the call to serve in uniform over the years. Explore our collection of video interviews to hear some of these personal stories.

## **Do you know a Veteran by name?**

Search our database by Veterans' last names to find interesting personal interviews.

## **Gulf War**

The Gulf War of the early 1990s was an important chapter in Canada's military history.

## **Canadian Armed Forces**

Watch Canadian Armed Forces Veterans speak about their experiences of military service in the post-war years.

## **First World War**

No Veterans of the 1914-1918 First World War are alive today but you can still hear their firsthand stories.

## **Second World War**

Explore the personal reflections of Canadian Veterans who served in the 1939-1945 Second World War.

## **Korean War**

Hear what it was like for Canadian Veterans who served in the Far East during the 1950-1953 Korean War.

## **South African War**

The South African War took place 1899-1902 but you can still hear voices of the past from Canadians who fought there.

## **Dieppe Raid**

The Second World War's Dieppe Raid was an important chapter in our military history. Hear Canadian Veterans share their harsh experiences that day.

## **Battle of Passchendaele**

The First World War's Battle of Passchendaele raged in 1917. Listen to Canadian Veterans share their hard experie

### **.STAY IN TOUCH WITH THESE CF NEWSPAPERS**

#### **Base/Wing — Newspaper**

14 Wing Greenwood — [The Aurora](#)

22 Wing North Bay — [The Shield](#)

4 Wing Cold Lake — [The Courier](#)

CFB Esquimalt — [The Lookout](#)

CFSU Ottawa — [The Guard](#)

CFB Shilo — [The Shilo Stag](#)

19 Wing Comox — [The Totem Times](#)

8 Wing Trenton — [The Contact](#)

CFB Petawawa — [The Petawawa Post](#)

17 Wing Winnipeg — [The Voxair](#)

CFB Halifax — [The Trident](#)

CFB Edmonton — [The Western Sentinel](#)

CFB Valcartier — [The Adsum](#)

CFB Kingston — [Garrison News](#)

CFB St Jean — [The Servir](#)

3 Wing Bagotville — [The Vortex](#)

CFB Borden — [The Citizen](#)

### **IN THE NEWS**

[Student research uncovers overlooked Guelph World War II veteran](#)

[Canadian veteran teams up with musician to remember those forgotten on Remembrance Day](#)

[Branch 10 Legion celebrating 95th anniversary](#)

[Military nurses aim to relieve stress on health-care workers at Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton](#)

[A joint naval exercise in the Pacific sent a stark warning to China](#)

[Un exercice militaire du 15 au 17 octobre à Val-d'Or et Amos](#)

[The Army wants reusable, networked landmines](#)

[How an army prints maps](#)

[Dany Fortin ne récupérera pas son rôle de responsable de la distribution de vaccins](#)

[Germany and UK stand up binational bridging engineer battalion](#)

[New protective kit being tested](#)