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The INTERCOM

The INTERCOM is the RMR family's newsletter, which originally started as "The Bugler" in 1914 on the troopship carrying the 14th Bn (RMR) overseas. Censorship quickly squashed the initiative, but the RMR tried again in 1916 with "The Growler".

In WW2 the RMR had two battalions, one overseas from 1939-45, and a Home unit stationed in Westmount. In an effort to boost morale and keep the lines of communication open between the two battalions, the "Intercomn" ("n" intentional) was born.

The current "Intercom" is published on an ad-hoc basis and is intended to keep the friend & family of the Regiment up to speed with the accomplishments of the current serving members of the Regiment and all affiliated organizations.

2017 Year in Review

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Happy New Year!

While 2018 will undoubtedly prove to be an especially busy year for the RMR, there were some significant milestones in 2017 for the RMR that are worth recalling. Here is a review of the top 30 stories from 2017 reported in the Intercom - [vote for your favourite here!](#)

1. RMR soldiers [fought the floods](#) threatening Western Montreal
2. [Tough winter training](#) for the RMR in Shawinigan
3. RMR soldiers [operated in the Arctic](#)
4. The RMR Museum's [Vimy 100 exhibition](#) was a great success
5. Memorial [tree planted for Colonel Lawson](#) in front of the armoury
6. [Change of command](#) brought LCol Shone home to the RMR
7. RMR soldiers [trained in New Zealand](#)
8. All in the family: [Father badges son](#) into the Regiment
9. Private Morneau won the [CO's challenge trophy](#)
10. RMR's paraded with the [Ceremonial Guard for Prince Charles](#)
11. [Invictus Games](#) made the RMR their only Montreal flag tour stop
12. [Reservist Job Fair](#) helped soldiers find meaningful civilian employment
13. 2017 [Poppy Campaign was the most successful](#) ever
14. [Great War Education Program](#) launched to support Quebec history curriculum
15. Our affiliated cadet units are in great shape, both [Army](#) and [Air](#)
16. Architect of the RMR's ["sacred soil"](#) was discovered
17. Reunion Smoker held at CFSA Dorval
18. [Reflections of a modern soldier](#) on Vimy
19. RMR Association helped out in the community
20. 1917 - 1919 diary of [Private Raymond Duval, MM](#) published daily
21. Loss of Colonel (ret'd) [George Javornik](#), CD
22. [Hampstead](#) Family Day
23. RMR [welcomes new citizens](#)
24. Paying our [rent to Westmount](#) during Family Day
25. Colonel [David Hart's 100th birthday](#) party at the RMR
26. Infantry Junior Leadership Course: [Candidate's perspective](#)
27. RMR [soldier recognized for leadership](#) during flood relief
28. Bringing out the [Big Guns](#)
29. Forging [Junior Leaders](#)
30. [Home on the Range](#)

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We lost a great leader in 2017: Colonel (ret'd) George Javornik, CD. Former Commanding Officer (1978-82), Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel (1990-94), and Honorary Colonel (1994-99) of The Royal Montreal Regiment (and former Commander of District 1, a precursor to 34 GBC, from 1986-88). Comrade Javornik was also a member of the RMR Association (Br. 14). His dedication and passion for the Reserves and the RMR was strong to the end, and he was quite involved in various projects such as Reserves 2000, a coalition of Canadians who wish to preserve the Militia as a viable option in Canadian defence capability. Colonel Javornik can be credited with saving the RMR from being disbanded or forced to amalgamate with several other Montreal-area units in the late 1990's. His timely intervention as Honorary Colonel with the Minister of Defence helped preserve the RMR's status and protected our future. We will remember him.

LEVEE DAY REMINDER: If you are in town tomorrow on January 1st, please stop by the RMR to join us for the traditional Levee Day festivities. The messes will be open to receive visitors starting at 11h00 and we look forward to welcoming 2018 with you in style! All ranks, military affiliations are welcome.

- Dress for Service Members: 1A or 1C
- Dress for Civilian Guests: slacks, collared shirt and jacket (tie for the officers' mess)



In closing, 2018 will prove to be a busy and challenging one for the RMR. There is an opportunity to growth the Regiment significantly by increasing the recruiting numbers. Essentially, due to recent new positions allocated to the Army Reserve, every recruit brought in by the RMR that is above & beyond the assigned quota will become a new funded position.

If you know of anyone interested in serving in the Army Reserves with arguably one of the best units in Canada, have them [contact the RMR recruiting team](#) ASAP.

On behalf of Honorary Colonel Andrew Molson, and the Regiment's Commanding Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel John Shone, please accept our best wishes for a safe and successful 2018.

Honi Soit Qui Mal Y Pense.

LCol (ret'd) Colin Robinson, CD
Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel
The Royal Montreal Regiment

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