

### **SERIOUS SAFETY INFRACTION**

During the super new event at Stone Barn Castle, one of our most experienced sections got carried away with the excitement of a tactical competition and continued a 'live' bayonet charge beyond its sensible safety limit. The NCO's involved - all four of them - certainly knew better, as did each and every man involved - all oldtimers. Any NCO, and the men themselves, could have - and should have - stopped the charge when the enemy had been forced to yield their ground. Because of the pursuit, there was a very real danger that one of the enemy troops might have tripped and fallen and been jabbed in the back.

The situation was not at all helped when the section's members failed to accept criticism for this transgression in a sensible manner, instead offering some off-hand jibes. Our regiment's sometimes-reputation for being extremely cocky, cavalier and UNSAFE immediately raised its ugly head again and the Royal Yorkers were the subject of some pointed conversations in the American camp. Lord knows, we don't need to have our peers think ill of our attitudes and procedures.

Let's all use our thick heads gents! Let's have no more overzealous behaviour and certainly no more cheap-shot outbursts either.

### **NEXT MAJOR EVENT: 1ST BN: BLACK CREEK PIONEER VILLAGE, NORTH YORK JUN 18,19**

Here's the annual favorite. Nothing different to report other than the KRR will again organize a meal on Saturday evening. This will be a Steak; Pasta Salad; Roll & Butter for \$3.00/head. Pls have cash available. Of course, master BBQ impressario & near-eunuch, Cpl Bruce Grundy, will again officiate with an asbestos apron.

Reg James will be Officer Commanding the Crown Forces and the Mohawk Valley rebel militia will return to hunt us green coated Tory baftards.

### **2ND BN ONLY: ALL-UP 2BN EVENT - SODUS POINT, NY**

Captain Paine has sent a detailed newsletter to all 2Bn folks about this important event. The 2Bn is hoping for its maximum-ever turnout. If you're 2Bn, don't miss this one!!

### **SJT & MRS SJT VISSER ARE PARENTS**

A little Visser has arrived in this world at 2lb 4oz - the littlest Grenadier. Being a trifle premature, Cory Jacob will remain in the hospital until July and then will come home to rule the roost. Catherine doing well and practising motherhood on Ted. Apparantly, this is one bottle he won't take.

### **SJT & MRS SJT ZOETEWY ARE PARENTS**

Them Serjeants are working overtime. On Thurs June 9 a baby girl 7lb 4oz by the name of Christa Ann. Only four days late - I say so casually; but then, I've never been preggies. Congrats!

### **ERICH SHAW REPORTS IN FROM TOKYO**

Colonel's Coy deserter Erich Shaw has written from Tokyo where he believes he is safe from the King's Justice. We will see... He is gainfully employed teaching young Japanese children his evil ways and he is also chasing young Japanese girls, so he says. This latter pursuit may be his undoing. He says he would learn the language except he doesn't have time as he is too occupied counting his piles of loot. He is saving bigga bucks, no doubt with the intention to buy off his officers and avoid punishment on his return to the Land of the GST. Anyone wishing to write to Shaw-san should address him at: 4-8-7 Nishi, Kameari, Katsushika-Ku, T125, Tokyo, Japan.

### **OUR CANADIAN DOLLAR AND THOSE TRIPS TO THE GOOD OL' US of A**

I heard from a number of folks that they couldn't face going to Stone Barn Castle because the Cdn \$ is so low and it would be so expensive. At the time, I made the point that travel down there would still be less expensive than going to a Canadian event, but that didn't cut much ice with these folks. So, I asked our Loyal Refugees to keep a journal of prices for comparison and here's the results of their very

detailed study as prepared by Distaff Sjt Watt.

<u>PURCHASED ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE USF</u>	<u>CONVERTED TO CF</u> @ 1.39	<u>COST IN CANADA</u>
<u>Gasoline:</u> Reg Unl	\$1.10/US GAL	\$0.403/L	\$0.495/L
Hi Oct	\$1.14	0.419	0.545
Fill up a Van (68 l)		@ \$0.419 = \$28.49	@ \$0.545 = \$37.06
Fill up a car (42 l)		= \$17.60	= \$22.89
<u>Beer:</u> cheap Milwaukee	\$ 8.39/24	\$11.66/24	Wildcat \$23.70/24
med price Bud	\$14.89/24	\$20.69/24	Blue \$26.40/24
Prem Sam Adams	\$12.50/12	\$17.37/12	Connors \$17.50/12
<u>Food:</u> MacD's Hamburg	\$0.59	\$0.82	\$0.99
Expensive Cafe			Diner
French Toast & Bacon	\$4.86	\$6.76	\$4.54
Coffee	\$0.60	\$0.83	\$0.75
English Muffin	\$0.60	\$0.83	\$0.75
Perkins Family Restaurants			Red Lobster
Grilled Orange Roughy w/Veg,Rice&Salad	\$6.95	\$9.66	Grilled Halibut,Veg,Rice & Salad \$12.89
Ice Cream Sandwich	\$0.50	\$0.70	\$1.19
<u>Alcohol:</u>			
Capt Morgan's Spiced Rum	\$17.06	\$23.70	\$29.25
<u>Pharmaceuticals:</u>			
Ibuprofen/Advil 100s	\$2.20	\$3.06	\$7.99
Bausch & Laumb Saline	\$2.87	\$4.00	\$3.90
<u>Ciggies:</u> 25 Marlboro	\$2.02	\$2.81	25 cdn
25 Camels	\$2.39	\$3.32	\$3.25

THE CONCLUSION!- in Cdn \$\$      In the USA      In Canada

Fill up your car	\$17.60	\$22.89
Buy 24 med price Beer	20.69	26.40
<u>Buy a pack of smokes</u>	<u>3.32</u>	<u>3.25</u>
Your Total Cost	\$41.61	\$52.54

Therefore, you save \$10.93 by going to a US event!! - that's still 20% cheaper.

### UNCOMMON DEDICATION

Thanks to the dedication of 26 Yorkers and Zig Misiak of BR's, the Northern Brigade earned \$1030.00 in a cold, dreary appearance at the Robert Land Military Academy in Wellandport Ontario on April 30. We had the Grasshopper and a complete Crew of 6; a Drums turnout of 5; a Colour Party of 1 and a combined Flank Section and a combined Col's Coy Section. I had promised 30 all ranks, so we just snuck in under the wire. The weather was frightful with sleet and 2°C. We were very much appreciated at the School's 15th anniversary. The schools various buildings are named: Loyalist; Butler; Brock and Fitzgibbon - the latter two being famous 1812 personalities. Robert Land, of course, was a loyalist soldier in Brant's Volunteers. *SO WHAT! - I CAN HEAR LOTS OF YOU SAYING* - Well let me tell you. It's dedication like that shown by the members who attended this mind and flesh numbing event and earned dollars for the unit that keeps us from having to charge dues. That's what!! So just be damn thankful you didn't have to attend and these other guys did it for you.

