BC Report AGM 2020

Reviewing our 2019 region area happenings its clear that the passing of our only HK veteran, Gerry Gerrard on May 22nd had the biggest impact on our membership. Gerry contributed many articles to our website and his stories and accounts will continue to enlighten the public on the Canadians role in Hong Kong for generations to come.

At this point in time we have 13 HK widows who are still with us and we send them warm greetings and well wishes from our membership.

We Will Remember Them.

Following in the footsteps of our very successful national HKVCA commemorative plaque program three plaques were installed by the following people in the these locations:

Murray Doull, son of HK veteran llewellyn (Bill) Doull RRC, in Clearwater, BC.

Len Cotton son of veteran Joseph Cotton, RRC, in Kelowna west bank location.

Mona Thornton daughter of veteran Joseph Frenette, RRC in Penticton, BC.

All plaque installations no matter how formal the ceremonies contribute to the educational component of our mission statement and help raise public awareness of the Hong Kong story. We thank those who have taken time to do so and invite other members to investigate the possibilities in their home towns.

In the spring of 2019 the Homecoming theme was adopted for the upcoming national convention in 2020. Also a project was launched for a book of remembrance to commemorate the 75th anniversary of their homecoming. Although everything has come to a grinding halt in March of 2020 that theme and the book helped to keep our focus positive and now we all look forward to the convention in 2021.

Stay safe everyone as we all remain together in remembrance.