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SLT Brian Vooght took this creative "rig of the day" prank by UNTD Cadets of Saskatchewan Division, with good humour.

L to R. John MacGregor (Vancouver), Harvey Sawyer (Vancouver), Max Jacobs (St.John's), John Turner (Ottawa), Peter Marton (Montreal), Brian Vooght (Ottawa), Bill Clearihue (Montreal), Lytton Smith (Winnipeg), C/C Glen Power (Edmonton). **Cover Story inside.** *photo courtesy of Clearihue*

#### FEATURED IN THIS EDITION

Farewell to Gil, Ed File's Story, West Coast UNTDs Celebrate Naval Centennial, UNTD Queen Mary Cruise, Ass't. Newsletter Editor Appointed, New UNTD Book Reviewed, Captain Steele Remembered.

## COVER STORY UNUSUAL “Rig-of-the-Day”

CORNWALLIS in the summer of 1965 was the home base of UNTD training for 1st and 2nd year cadets. Third year cadets(A-Slants/Acting Sub Lieutenants) did Communications in Halifax, or Navigation in Esquimalt or Supply in HOCHELAGA/BORDEN.

Divisional Term Lieutenants at CORNWALLIS had to rotate through being Officer of the Day (OOD) at our South Block accommodations - a thankless, prank-filled night for them. It included nightly rounds or room inspections with cadets mustered in Rig-of-the-Day. Any default could result in an early morning run. Worthy of note, LT(N) Bob Duncombe (Ottawa Old Oars) was in charge of the “Plans and Projects” office that summer.

On the night that our Assistant “Termie”, SLT “Willie” Brian Vooght (CARLETON) was OOD, our Division planned to turn out for rounds in a creative “Rig of the Day”. Vooght had been with us on our Great Lakes gate vessel cruise, so he knew that we were a lively bunch. We all liked and respected him and rewarded his confidence in us by being the best 1st Year Division at CORNWALLIS in 1965.

Bill Clearihue, Assistant Editor

## THE PEANUT BUTTER CAPER

The previous story tells us that there were UNTD Term Lieutenants who knew how to have fun but still get the best out of their charges. The following story, as related by Graham Scott, tells us that there was another kind of “Termie” - the kind that believed unruly college students in the UNTD had to learn about the iron discipline of the navy. Usually such young and inexperienced Term Lieutenants were governed by their own insecurity and tended to be officious martinets. “Rounds”, the white glove inspection type, conducted by such Junior Officers could be a nightmare for the duty watch or liberty boat hopefuls.

As the story goes, the “Simon Legree” tyrant of this tale was somewhat of an Inspector Clouseau character. One group of inspired cadets decided that his inordinate thoroughness invited reprisal. They set upon an unsavoury prank for the next “Rounds” by the unpopular “Termie”. After a thorough cleaning of the heads, the cadet in charge placed a smear of peanut butter under the toilet seat. When it was discovered during the inspection, the self-satisfied “Termie” despot began to berate the cadet in charge.

The cadet proclaimed innocence. As proof he rubbed his finger in the smear and placed it in his mouth. As the “Termie” watched in stunned silence, the cadet made a distasteful face and the Term Lieutenant began to retch uncontrollably.

Editor

## NEW ASSISTANT EDITOR APPOINTED

**Bill Clearihue**, UNTD 1965 Concordia University, has been appointed Assistant Editor of the UNTD Newsletter. He brings great story-telling and computer skill to the task as well as a keen interest in naval heritage. The following biography highlights his UNTD experience.

Bill Clearihue was born in Montreal July 16, 1946. He joined UNTD at HMCS DONNACONA, fall of '64

-1965 1st Summer UNTD - Great Lakes - PORTE ST LOUIS - CORNWALLIS

-1967 2nd Summer - Dockyard ESQUIMALT - PORTE QUEBEC

-1968 3rd Summer - Communication Course Alpha STADACONA - MARCOM Ops - GREENWOOD

-1968/69 winter - SLT - Divisional Officer - Comm Division - DONNACONA

BSc. Biochemistry, Concordia University - Montreal

-1970 - Transferred to Primary Reserve List upon moving to Toronto. He made a career in the Pharmaceutical Industry until his semi-retirement in 2005. He now resides in Oakville.



Photo by Bill Clearihue

**ADVANTAGES OF UNTD TRAINING**  
**THE ED FILE STORY**  
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At the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Royal Canadian Navy in Halifax in early July 2010, the subject of re-establishing UNTD programmes in universities came up. When I shared my unique and untold, UNTD experiences within three different navies, everyone agreed that my story should be recorded. My UNTD training began in October, 1949 at HMCS York with a first summer training cruise in 1950 aboard HMCS La Hullose. In response to an apparent sighting of a Russian submarine in the Bay of Fundy, our squadron of 3 ships was redirected to patrol the bay. We became known, somewhat humourously, as the BFDF - Bay of Fundy Defence Force. We sailed up and down the bay, dropping hand-grenades, a signals to any sonar contact to surface immediately. None did, but the reality of the Cold War was brought home to us. In the summer of 1951 my training cruise was in the destroyer HMCS Crescent. Our squadron of three ships proceeded to Hawaii where we shared in exercises with elements of the USN. This time we were searching for US submarines playing hide and seek around the volcanic islands. Everyone looked forward to shore leave in Honolulu. What an adventure!

A golden opportunity was presented to UNTD cadets at the end of summer training in 1951 if they were prepared to return to university a little late. The Queen was coming for a royal visit to Canada and the Navy wanted an appropriate naval presence to greet her. The cruiser HMCS Ontario was to proceed from the west coast through the Panama Canal to join HMCS Quebec for the naval review in Halifax. About thirty of us joined the crew and found we even had our own gunroom which we shared with the cruiser's midshipmen. There was constant bantering as the midshipmen tried to "lord" it over the UNTDs who were having none of it.

Summer training in 1952 included a cruise on board the destroyer HMCS Crusader in company with HMCS La Hullose and HMCS Swansea. A fuelling stop in The Azores was followed by a lengthy stay in Gibraltar, one of the largest military bases in the world. We enjoyed sailing regattas with the Royal Navy and even high speed water-skiing behind the admiral's barge. From there we proceeded to the French naval base at Toulon and an exciting shore leave on the Riviera.

Finishing my fourth year of studies at the University of Toronto in 1953, I returned as a fourth year cadet

to Halifax and was given responsibility for gunroom financial affairs with an office at Admiralty House. I soon received my commission as a sub-lieutenant that summer and was appointed as acting Supply Officer to HMCS New Liskeard. How disheartening! The ship proceeded to St. John where she spent the rest of the summer in dry-dock.

Upon my return to Toronto I entered graduate school in Theology. I was appointed training officer at HMCS York for the school year 1953/54. The following summer was spent in church field work on a mission boat, Thomas Crosby, sailing up and down the north coast of British Columbia. Being promoted to Lieutenant, I spent the required two weeks in training at HMCS Esquimalt.

My second year of graduate study was spent in Scotland at St. Andrews University. Special arrangements were made for me to be attached as training officer to HMS Cressy, the RNVR base in Dundee, Scotland. The base was actually a double decked frigate of the Nelson era, originally called HMS Unicorn. Steeped in tradition, I learned so much from the long naval careers of my fellow officers.

Overall I attended 45 drill sessions during my academic year plus 45 days at sea. Perhaps my most valuable experiences came in cruises as a training officer with university cadets. We sailed to Sweden and Norway in a wooden hulled coastal minesweeper, HMS Chediston. Locals treated all the sailors most royally. We also made three-day training cruises with students to Aberdeen and Hull. My summer graduate studies were scheduled to continue in Berlin so I joined HMS Chediston on a training cruise to France where I would be dropped ashore for land travel to Germany. However, the ship's engine broke down and I transferred to another RN ship which was leaving shortly for Germany.



Ed File, Christiansand, Norway, March 24, 1955.

On completion of my summer programme I returned to England where I was attached to HMS Heron, the RN Air Station Yeovilton. My contribution as a Supply Officer was much appreciated and they taught me a great deal about the air service. My supervisor was a Wing Commander who took me flying at every opportunity.

On October 6<sup>th</sup> I departed for Glasgow where I joined HMCS Lauzon returning to Halifax, then onward to Toronto where I joined HMCS York as a training officer for the academic year 1955/56.

In 1956 my final stage of graduate studies took me to Boston where I completed a Ph.D. in Theology. I was attached to the USN Reserve base in Boston. I was well received and learned about their different training structure. This base was operating as a full ship's company ready to move immediately to crew a mothballed ship if and when ordered. Sadly the Canadian Government decided that budget cuts were in order for our navy. Thus in mid-year I was informed that reserve training outside Canada was terminated. Then in 1959 my active reserve status also came to an end when I was later appointed to a church mission in Winnipeg where there was no further space for a RCNR chaplain in the reserve.

My invaluable experience in the RCNR, RNVR, and USN Reserve points to the many significant learning possibilities available in a well-designed university based naval training program. Hopefully efforts to restore such a program will succeed for the benefit of all Canadians.

#### IN MEMORIAM

**HUTTON, Gilbert Jerome, CD, LCdr RCNR Ret'd.  
June 8, 1928 - November 12, 2010  
(UNTD 1946 - 50 McMaster University)**

**Goodbye Gil!** On Saturday, November 27th, a memorial service was held in the combined messes of Gil's home naval division, HMCS STAR, overlooking the waterfront. All three messes were required to handle the large attendance and I dare say that Gil could have introduced everyone by name and given a brief history of each guest as he was wont to do. SLT, the Reverend Canon Bill Thomas, President of the UNTD Association conducted the service. Beside him was the urn containing Gil's ashes. It sat on a white ensign covering a table in front of the windows looking out on Canada's great naval memorial, HMCS Haida.

Gil's ashes would have been as much at home on the bar where he delighted in issuing drams of Pusser's rum at "Up Spirits" for reunion receptions.

It would not have been out of place at the head of the buffet table in honour of all the banquets, lunches and conferences that he organized and presided over for the NOAC and UNTD Association.

It would also have been appropriate to place a telephone beside the urn, the one icon that we all associated with Gil as he kept in personal contact with everyone and organized his next social activity or guest speaker for a naval function.

His son and three daughters spoke eloquently at the eulogy for Gil, a gift of speech and story-telling that they had inherited from their father. They remembered his strengths and weaknesses. He was an insatiable reader with incredible recall but he could never remember minor details or keep track of time.



As a member of the University Naval Training Division, Gil graduated from McMaster University in 1950 and transferred to the RCN during the Korean War, serving aboard HMCS Huron. After the war he did graduate work in metallurgy at the University of Toronto and transferred to HMCS York as Ordnance Officer. In 1960 he accepted a position with the Defence Research Board Atlantic and relocated to

Halifax. For the next fourteen years he revelled in the role that he played in saving the Historic Properties on the Halifax Waterfront. He served on the Halifax Landmarks Commission and became the president of the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia. From Director of the Operational Research Division in Maritime Command he was transferred in 1975 to defence procurement projects in Ottawa, retiring in the 1980s for health reasons.

Upon returning to Hamilton, Gil, proud of his United Empire Loyalist roots, became a member of many heritage organizations and joined the Naval Officers Association of Canada, Toronto Branch. In 1988, he became a founding member/director of the UNTD Association and collaborated with Cdr Williamson, Commanding Officer of HMCS STAR, to form a Hamilton Area NOAC Division of the Toronto Branch. Gil recruited fifty members and held monthly luncheons as well as one Dine the Ladies every year. Part of the group's appeal was the camaraderie, naval traditions and speakers that Gil organized.

In July 2001, Gil was presented with the NOAC Gold Medallion Award for "outstanding and exemplary service to the NOAC and to Canada at the National level". The citation recorded his 16-year service in the RCNR, his active membership in the NOAC for over 50 years and his contributions to the Toronto Branch as: Vice President, Newsletter Editor, President and a National Director. Also mentioned were his founding and executive roles in the UNTD Association of Canada.

When Gil was presented with the City of Hamilton Convention Ambassador Award in 2005 for organizing the UNTD/NOAC Reunion in Hamilton, he was asked what started him on his life as a leader. He responded, "I had so much to say in my bible class at the age of six that they appointed me president and I never looked back".

At the last meeting of the UNTD Association Executive, a motion was passed to put a plaque in the HMCS STAR wardroom honouring Gil's contribution to our Naval community. *Editor*

### **STEELE, Richard Miles, Capt. (N) DSC, RCN Ret'd.**

An honorary member of the UNTD Association, he died March 14, 2010 at the age of 95. His illustrious career reads like an anthology of World War II Canadian Naval History. He served in corvettes, motor launches, and destroyers throughout the Battle of the Atlantic, Murmansk Run, D-Day Invasion and Korea.

He was one of the few RCN officers who fully appreciated the value and potential of the UNTD program. As the Reserve Training Commander in HMCS Stadacona in 1949, he gave his full support to Cdr Herbie Little's revised training scheme for the UNTD. He was featured as the guest of honour at the November 1999 UNTD Reunion Dinner at HMCS York where he spoke eloquently of his many experiences.

In retirement he became a world-renowned horticulturist, specializing in flowers of the rhododendron and magnolias family. In 2004 he was inducted as a member to the Order of Canada for his outstanding contributions to Canadian horticulture. In his wake he left gardens all over the country - Boulderwood Gardens in Halifax, Van Dusen Gardens in Vancouver, and others in Annapolis Royal NS, St. John's NL and Norfolk Virginia. He even planted the row of maple trees along the Hamilton waterfront at HMCS Patriot/Star which now frames the Haida berth.

His belief was that the beauty and serenity of plants and gardens have the power to transform lives and bring harmony to the world.

*Editor*

### **WATT, Lynn, UNTD 1943-45.**

Another notable UNTD passed away in July at the age of 85. A humble engineering professor, he helped put Waterloo on the map as a founding member of the Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics. During the Second World War, Watt signed up for the University Naval Training Division for summer employment. Despite chronic seasickness, Watt spent two summers during the war searching for Japanese submarines in the Juan de Fuca Strait near Vancouver.

The Ontario Centre of Excellence, a program aimed at promoting research projects and taking them to commercialization, is a Watt legacy.

Bob Duncombe, Globe & Mail July 2010

### **BOOK REVIEW**

With "My Naval Career In the UNTD 1954-57", W. Grant Thompson M.D., Emeritus Doctor of Medicine, University of Ottawa, has attempted to write Canada's fourth publication about the University Naval Training Division (UNTD). It follows in the footsteps of "UNTIDy Tales", "The UNTD and Canadian Society" and "UNTIDIES Bonding a Nation."

Grant Thompson's book, like "Salty Dips", is a collection of his cadet memoirs, a simple and colourful chronology of the highlights of his three years as a member of the UNTD, edited from his cadet log and inspired by the discovery of an eight mm movie record that he had made as a cadet. He was encouraged to publish his account by former UNTDs in Ottawa called the "Old Oars" and Stornoway Productions who used his film clips in their documentary, "**No Country for Young Men**".

His summer cruise itineraries include the cruiser HMCS Quebec in 1955 down the eastern seaboard to San Juan, the sweeper HMCS Brockville in 1956 to Nanoose Bay, Prince Rupert, Vancouver and Portland Oregon, and in 1957 the frigate HMCS Sussexvale to California and Mexico.

Thompson is no newcomer to publishing. He is the author of several award-winning medical books and papers on gastroenterology.

The soft cover, 90 page book including a Foreword by Senator Bill Romkey and an Index is illustrated with Thompson's personal photos. It has been published by the Breakout Education Network and their Preface and Notes develop the theme of renewing the connection between universities and the military that was lost in 1968. The book is available from Ben McNally Books, 361 Bay St., Toronto [www.benmcnallybooks.com](http://www.benmcnallybooks.com) or phone 416 361 0032. \$18.00 including tax, shipping etc.

### **WEST COAST UNTiDys Celebrate the Navy's Centenary**

The last of five UNTD sponsored Navy Centennial celebrations held across the country took place at CFB Esquimalt October 28 -31, 2010. The weekend attended by 130 participants was a joint venture between the NOABC and the UNTD/ROTPs from the Mainland and Vancouver Island. The party started with a **Meet and Greet** in the Wardroom followed by dinner in the Wardroom & Spinnakers on Thursday, October 28.

On Friday morning, October 29<sup>th</sup> sixty participants including spouse/partners left Esquimalt for a short **Day Cruise** in three Orcas; Renaud, Wolf, and Caribou. The cruise was organized by **Dr. Bill Griswold**, (UNTD 1958), former Coordinator of UNTD Vancouver Island who tragically died early in November. The Orca's were perfect for such an outing with their spacious bridge providing plenty of room for passengers.

After lunch a tour of the **Naval Museum at HMCS Naden** was conducted by **David Freeman**, (UNTD 60). It brought back many memories of summer training. The gift shop prospered with the sale of ship's crests and mugs of the Prestonian Class Frigates on which we sailed. Thereafter many attended a short **service at St Paul's Anglican Church** conducted by SLt. the Reverend Canon **Bill Thomas**, (UNTD 59) President of the UNTD Association of Canada and who organized the UNTD reunion in Halifax held in conjunction with the NOAC AGM. The church's **Naval Centennial Windows** were presented and Rear Admiral Bill Hughes (ret), who had organized the design as well as chairing the fundraising for the window memorial, spoke eloquently on how the design was created reflecting the history of the Navy over the past 100 years.

After Weepers, the Wardroom staff provided an excellent **Chinese Dinner** for the 90 attendees and during the evening entertainment was provided by **Peter Chipman** (UNTD 62) former professional singer and guitarist extraordinaire accompanied by **Roger Tallentire** (ROTP 1958), **Paul Wagner** (UNTD 60), and **Robert Jenkins** (UNTD 60) who, with his wife Pat, flew out from Newfoundland. Not surprisingly they passionately sang all of the verses of "I'se the B'ye That Builds the Boat". Naturally, "We are the Boys of the UNTD" and other such songs were sung by all with great gusto.



*Peter Chipman (UNTD 1962) and his musicians*

At 0900 Saturday morning, October 30, Captain Baines gave an excellent **lecture on MARPAC's operations**, and a glimpse of some of his personal experiences off Somalia as Commanding Officer HMCS Winnipeg. His delivery judged as one of the highlights of the weekend was very articulate and humorous. This was followed by a tour of the

dockyard facilities, which again brought back many memories.

A **formal Dine the Ladies**, consisting of an excellent four course filet mignon dinner, was held in the Wardroom attended by 112 participants and guests. The dinner was co-Chaired by **Bill Paull**, (Venture 60) President of NOABC, and **David Cooper** (UNTD 63) Coordinator of UNTD/ROTP Vancouver Island. Vice Presidents were **Lach Morrison** (UNTD 57), **Bob McIlwaine** (UNTD 59), and **David Winkler** (UNTD 62) the latter representing Vancouver Island.

The Guests of Honour were Captain Craig Baines and his wife Lisa. Other guests with their wives included: Admiral John Anderson (ret) (ROTP 59), Vice Admiral Bob George (ret) (ROTP 60), and out from Ottawa, Rear Admiral Bruce Johnston (ret) (ROTP 59) all of whom attended UBC and paraded during the winters with the UNTDs, thus being classmates to a number of the attendees. Grace was said by The Venerable **Ron Harrison** (UNTD 66), and tribute was made to the late Surgeon Captain Maurice Young, former CO of Discovery's UNTD programme.

**Brooke Campbell** (UNTD 59) – introduced other attendees: the Contingent of 12 formerly from HMCS Chippawa (Winnipeg), **Bob Jenkins** (UNTD 60) who had organized two UNTD dinners in St John's at the Crowsnest and HMCS Cabot following the July NOAC/UNTD festivities in Halifax, **Bob Duncombe** (UNTD 54) of "The Olde Oars" including **Senator Bill Romkey** (UNTD 55) who helped organize the successful Ottawa UNTD Senate Chambers dinner in October, and **Captain Chris Pratt (ret)** former Commanding Officer in HMCS New Waterford, UNTD training vessel during the summer of 1961 and subsequently – COND, Commanding Officer Naval Divisions. The closing Grace was given by **Bill Thomas** (UNTD 59).

During dinner a number of informal humorous interjections were made including those initiated by **Roger Elmes** (UNTD 60) and **Paul Wagner** (UNTD 60); the latter in his civilian life had designed and built the steering gear for at least two of the new frigates including HMCS Vancouver.

Amongst the various styles of formal attire was that worn by **Bill Brown** (UNTD 59) from Toronto, who 50 years later, still fitted into his No. 5 B battledress jacket complete with the UNTD "White Twists".

**Michael Muirhead** (UNTD 59) introduced the main speaker, **Dr. Jim Boutilier**, Special Advisor to MARPAC. In an earlier life, Dr. Boutilier had

taught Celestial Navigation in the UNTD summer programmes of 1960 and 1961. In 35 minutes Dr. Boutilier covered with great humour, the topics of: "His Own Experience in the UNTD Programme, Strategic Considerations in the Far East Today, and Canada's Navy and Piracy". Jim was thanked by **Bill MacDonald** (UNTD 59); both Mike and Bill had scored well in Jim's much earlier navigational classes.

Edited from a report by Brooke Campbell (UNTD 59) NOAC/UNTD/ROTP Coordinator

## PRESERVING OUR UNTD HERITAGE

Warren Sinclair, Chief Archivist for the National Defence Headquarters Directorate of History and Heritage (DHH) expressed a great interest in acquiring copies of the UNTD Newsletters. Consequently, your editor has sent a copy of 40 back issues of the Newsletter to the DHH Archives and added the Chief Archivist to our mailing list.

## MAJOR CONTRIBUTION By UNTDs

It was reported in the 2010 Summer Issue of NOAC Newsletter "**Starshell**" that **RAdm (Ret'd) "Wally" Fox-Decent RCNR** made a major donation, in instalments, of over \$100,000.00 to the NOAC Endowment Fund. To be known as the "**Fox-Decent Naval Centennial Gift**", it will be used to support charitable contributions to sea cadet scholarships and the preservation of our Canadian maritime heritage. While his naval career from 1954 to 1996 was described by the NOAC writer, **there was no mention that the Rear Admiral was a graduate of the UNTD**. This is a repeating pattern. It seems that whenever a UNTD becomes a member of NOAC, he loses his UNTD status.

## CORRECTION:

In the September 2010 issue of the UNTD Newsletter, it was reported that former UNTDs; **Ron Harrison** and **Bob McIlwaine**, had received NOAC Silver Medallions at the Annual General Meeting in Halifax. In fact, they were awarded **Gold Medallions**, an even higher level of recognition.

Editor

## RESERVIST BECOMES REAR ADMIRAL

**Jennifer J. Bennett OMM, CD**, former Commander Naval Reserves and the daughter of Commodore Ross Taylor “Buck” Bennett CMM, CD, UNTD HMCS STAR 1947-1951, McMaster University, has been promoted to Rear Admiral and appointed Chief of Reserves and Cadets at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa.

Jennifer enrolled in the Naval Reserve in 1975 at HMCS STAR as a Naval Communicator and then transferred to the NROC (Naval Reserve Officer Cadet) programme in 1977 while attending McMaster University. Because NROC was the Unified Canadian Forces successor to UNTD, she was made an **Honorary Member of the UNTD Association in 2008**.

### HMCS King's Wardroom

By Alison Lang

Communications Coordinator

In the Wardroom of the University of King's College, students sit, eat lunch and study beneath photographs of HMCS Guysborough, HMCS Weyburn and other ships. These black and white archival photographs remind them of how the navy has irrevocably affected the college's history.

In May of 1941, Minister of Naval Services, Angus L. Macdonald requested that King's be used as a Naval Officer's Training School for the summer. However, the demand for officers necessitated that the College be designated a training school until the end of the war. On May 24, the Stadacona section of the RCN's Officer Training Establishment moved to the King's campus. By October, it was effectively considered a vessel, or “stone frigate,” and became known as HMCS King's. During the War, German propaganda sources reported that HMCS King's had been sunk!

According to research conducted by the King's Chaplain, the College transitioned quite rapidly into a military space. Arts and divinity studies were moved to Dalhousie's campus as well as the Atlantic School of Theology's Pine Hill Divinity Hall. The Girl's Reception Room became the Wardroom or Officer's Mess. The twelve-week naval course was made up of communications, navigation, seamanship, torpedo and gunnery.

Four years later, the war had ended and HMCS King's had graduated between 3,000 and 4,000 officers from 96 classes. King's was paid off as a military training site in May 1945 and civilian

life returned to King's. Most of the lecture halls and departments lost their military monikers but the HMCS King's Wardroom kept its name and continued as the College dining room and kitchen.

In 1979, the space was converted into a space that would serve as a day student lounge and a bar at night.

The bar celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in April of 2009, and a Wardroom Renovation Fund has been created so alumni could contribute to necessary renovations and collaborate on a redesign. that will freshen its look while keeping all of King's historical ties intact. The images of the ships populated by so many King's graduates during the war will remain, a poignant reminder of the College's distinguished naval tradition – a tradition that has created an indelible impression upon campus life and gives weight to everything we do.

**Editor's Note:** John Stuart, UNTD, HMCS Scotian invites any UNTD who would like to perpetuate the connection between the Navy and the University to make a donation to help defer the cost of renovations. Donations can be sent to the Nova Scotia Naval Officers Association. The cheque should be annotated as being for 'Wardroom Renovation Advisory Committee' and income tax receipts will be issued.

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