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■ **BRIDGES OF HONOUR:** Warkworth artist to unveil tribute to members of Canada's military to die in Afghanistan



Castleton artist Les Pomeroy puts the finishing touches on his painting, Bridges of Honour, which features Warkworth Legion Branch 380 member Al Wilson releasing racing pigeons as a procession passes by along the Highway of Heroes east of Colborne.

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Painting honours fallen heroes

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CASTLETON - Castleton artist Les Pomeroy will unveil his tribute to the Highway of Heroes at Warkworth Legion this Remembrance Day.

Les Pomeroy's Bridges of Honour was shown exclusively to *Northumberland Today* yesterday and will be unveiled at noon today.

The artist worked for several months to complete the project honouring members of Canada's military who have fallen in Afghanistan.

Once the soldiers' remains are repatriated, their bodies are accompanied by loved ones along the stretch of Highway 401 between CFB

Trenton and Toronto that has become known as the Highway of Heroes.

Along the route, residents have taken to standing along the bridges spanning the lanes of the highway, many waving flags, in a show of respect and gratitude.

On one such vigil, at the Little Lake bridge, Pomeroy saw something unique.

Warkworth Legion Branch 380 member Al Wilson releases his racing pigeons at the precise time the motorcade passes by. At that time Pomeroy knew it was time to grab his easel.

He has set Wilson in the foreground while a crowd of

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