

Lorne Scots Army Unit celebrating 150 years in September

This September the Lorne Scots Reserve Unit will celebrate 150 years of service in the Canadian Forces.

The Regimental Reunion, taking place Sept. 23-25, will begin with a Friday night meet-and-greet at the original Georgetown Armoury.

Saturday the regiment will march in a parade to commemorate the anniversary with His Royal Highness Prince Edward the Duke of Kent and many more VIPs, and Saturday night the Regimental Association will pull out all the stops to host an all-inclusive 150th gala with dinner, drinks and entertainment provided.

Throughout the weekend, His Royal Highness will unveil monuments dedicated to the Lorne Scots in Brampton, Oakville and Georgetown.

With no government funding provided, the association is asking supporters in the community to help contribute to the weekend honouring the soldiers of past and present. The goal is to raise \$75,000.

The Lorne Scots have been a part of our community for more than a century. I am very proud to have served with the unit for five years. I miss it everyday. I encourage everyone to support our

fine soldiers, said Chris Vernon, Regional Editor for the *Independent and Free Press*, *Orangeville Banner* and the *Caledon Enterprise*.

You can buy individual and couples tickets. Donations of any amount will be welcomed and all donors will be invited to the Saturday parade and the Friday meet-and-greet.

Please consider becoming an event sponsor for the Lorne Scots 150th Reunion Weekend.

Donations of \$1,000 or more includes:

- Two VIP seats at the Presentation/Trooping of the Colour;
- Private Reception with The Duke of Kent where donors will be presented with a Commemorative Scroll signed by His Royal Highness;
- Two tickets to the Reunion Meet & Greet at the Original Georgetown Armoury (built in 1866);
- Two VIP seats at the unveiling of the Memorial Monuments in either Brampton, Georgetown or Oakville;
- Two tickets to Gala at the Pearson Centre (an all-inclusive evening featuring Canadian entertainers);
- Your name on a Scroll of Honour to be hung at the Lorne Scots HQ.

The regiment is divided into two rifle companies, Peel Company headquartered in Brampton at the Brampton Armouries and Halton Company headquartered in Georgetown at the Colonel



Lorne Scot Cpl. Craig Grant behind a machine gun at the MILCON training event in 1988.

Submitted Photo

John Roaf Barber Armouries with a detachment located at the Oakville Armouries; a support company, Dufferin Company, headquartered in Brampton with a transport section in Georgetown; a Pipes & Drums Band headquartered in Georgetown; and the Regimental Museum located at 48 John St. in Brampton.

The regiment is one of Canada's oldest military units, 14th in Order of Precedence of Infantry units in Canada, and a significant force contributor to the Canadian Armed Forces Operations around the globe.

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