



Hello West Novas,

As many of us have already discussed there is an immediate need for past and present members of the West Nova Scotia Regiment to join the Regimental Association. The battle of age is one our past veterans are currently facing and the nominal role is shrinking. The West NSR has played a role in all of our lives and this is now an opportunity to say thank you and reconnect with some real good people. Quite simply put we are asking you to **get involved** and **we need you now!**

At the second meeting of the newly formed West Nova Scotia Regiment Regimental Association Transition Team a new Membership Application Form was approved. Mike Bobbitt who has agreed to be part of the team to give us a web presence at www.wnsr.ca is the **first** to fill one out. I presented it with \$10 to Bill Goodwin the Regimental Association Secretary and assured him many more West Novies are waiting for membership applications and anxious to join.

Many of you have already offered to assist in this effort to make the Regimental Association strong again and we are **depending on you** now. If each of you would contact 10 others this will be a terrific success. No specific recruitment numbers have been set by the Team as yet but we know hundreds of West Novas are unaware of the Regimental Association and will support when contacted. This is very do able and I know you will not let our Regimental Family down. Although there will probably be some duplication of effort early on I would ask that you help us distribute the membership application to all past members and those attached to the unit as they are eligible to join as explained by the Constitution. Currently we are only able to accept payment by cheque or money order and that can be mailed to the address on the application. Once approved Bill will mail you a membership card and receipt.

The new website will keep you informed of such things as the 61st West NSR Annual Reunion scheduled for July 31-August 01, 2010 in Bridgewater. The West NSR will be participating at the Exhibition on the same weekend. As well it may soon be possible for you to see our new members as they sign on. We are also interested in suggestions you may have so the website can best serve the membership. Feel free to direct your comments to my email at grandall@ns.sympatico.ca, ra@wnsr.ca (the address on the Association website) or any committee member.

Thanks again for your offers of support and assistance in this membership drive. It has brought back a feeling that some of us may not have experienced for quite a while, the PRIDE OF BEING ONE OF A SPECIAL GROUP OF PEOPLE. **"THE WEST NOVA SCOTIA REGIMENT"**

Semper Fidelis

Garry Randall