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Introduction

1. The 2008 year was filled with activities and challenges for all personnel of the Canadian Component (CC Elmendorf). Component members continued their involvement in the various aspects of Elmendorf AFB, along with many Canadian and American community events. This report contains information regarding the major contributions and activities of CC Elmendorf. This information is broken down into several main topics including Personnel, Promotions, Decorations and Awards, Military Activities and Courses, Social Activities, and a status report of Department of National Defence (DND) Property. You will also find attached Annex A, a Nominal Roll for CC Elmendorf that is current as of 31 December 2008.

Personnel

- 2. Members of the Component at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, were employed within seven areas: Alaskan NORAD Region (ANR) Headquarters, 962nd Airborne Air Control Squadron (962 AACS), 611 Air Operations Center (611 AOC), 611th Air Intelligence Squadron (611 AIS); 611th Air Support Group (611 ASG); 176th Air Control Squadron (176 ACS); and the Canadian Personnel Services Support Centre (CPSSC). Unit personnel consisted of 31 military personnel 19 Officers and 12 non-commissioned members. It also employed two civilian personnel; the ANR Deputy Commander Secretary, and the Canadian Community Program Coordinator (CCPC).
- 3. All but one of the Component's members lives in civilian housing, either in Anchorage or in the nearby Eagle River area. The Senior Canadian Officer being the only exception, as his position of Deputy Commander, Alaskan NORAD Region, requires designated on-base housing. Travel time to work is no more than 30 minutes for any member. The city of Anchorage is the metropolitan centre of Alaska, supporting an estimated population of 279,671 (U.S. Census Bureau, estimate for 2007). It has all the institutions and facilities associated with a modern city, including universities, colleges, art galleries, concert halls and shopping malls. Services provided on the base include recreational support, fitness centres, an education centre, day care, Base Exchange (shopping) and a Commissary (grocery).
- 4. The component experienced a significant turnaround of staff this year. During APS 08, the CC Elmedorf saw ten families leave and ten new families join the community. Personnel movements were as follows:
 - a. Posted from Elmendorf AFB:
 - (1) LCol J.A. MacMillan (EADS, Rome);
 - (2) Maj J.C.B. Doucette (Canada Command, Ottawa);
 - (3) Maj R.T. Murphy (WADS, AFB McChord);

- (4) Capt T.G. Livingston (436 (T) Sqn, 8 Wing Trenton);
- (5) Capt B.J. Tinsley, (CFASCO, Cornwall);
- (6) Capt T.D. Wheeler (WTIS, 14 Wing Greenwood);
- (7) MWO K. Winters (WTISS, 22 Wing North Bay);
- (8) WO J.A. Langley (1 Cdn Air Div, 17 Wing Winnipeg);
- (9) PO2 D.P. Chamberlin (MARPAC, Esquimalt); and
- (10) Sgt J.R. McCarron (Canadian Component Tinker).
- b. Posted to Elmendorf AFB:
 - (1) Maj J. Abbott (VCDS, Ottawa);
 - (2) Maj M. Collacutt (Canadian Component Geilenkirchen);
 - (3) Maj J.L.M. Servant (CC Tinker);
 - (4) Capt A.K. Considine (12 Wing Shearwater);
 - (5) Capt P. Morris (42 Radar, Cold Lake);
 - (6) Lt S.M. Gagnon (51 AC&W (OT) Sqn, North Bay);
 - (7) WO D. Delaney (Canada Command, Ottawa);
 - (8) Sgt C.D. Noseworthy (WTISS, 22 Wing North Bay);
 - (9) MCpl W. Brecheisen (17 Wing Winnipeg); and
 - (10) MCpl T.C. McLean (21 AC&W Sgn, 22 Wing North Bay).

Promotions

- 7. The Canadian Component celebrated five promotions within its membership during 2008:
 - a. Maj J.A. MacMillan was promoted to LCol on 30 Jun;
 - b. MCpl J.R. McCarron was promoted to Sgt on 30 Jun;
 - c. MS D.P. Chamberlin was promoted to PO2 in July;
 - d. Lt M.J.J. Grégoire was promoted to Capt on 11 Nov; and
 - e. Sgt J.A. Wallace was promoted to WO on 1 Dec.

Decorations and Awards

- 8. The Canadian Component presented the following medals and decorations:
 - a. WO Langley received his Canadian Decoration, 1st clasp in Feb;
 - b. PO2 Chamberlin received was honored by the Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC) for her numerous contributions of time and money to this organization;
 - c. LCol McLean received his Canadian Decoration, 1st clasp in Feb;
 - d. MCpl Bateman received his Canadian Decoration in Mar;
 - e. Capt Tinsley received her Canadian Decoration in Apr;
 - f. PO2 Chamberlin received the Commander's Commendation in Nov;
 - g. Capt Tinsley received the Alaska Commendation Medal in Nov;
 - h. Capt Randell received his Canadian Decoration on 1 Dec;

- 9. The Canadian Detachment celebrated the awarding of the following awards and honours within its membership during the calendar year 2008:
 - a. MWO Adams received her Wings in March;
 - b. Sgt Wallace received his Wings in March;
 - c. Capt J. Verran received his Wings in March; and
 - d. MCpl Bateman received his Wings in March.

Military Activities, Courses and Training

10. The involvement of Canadian Component members in military operations at Elmendorf AFB is continuous and varies widely in scope. There is a constant need for readiness, which requires the on-going participation in simulated and live exercises, both in preparation and execution. In addition to daily operations and support, Canadians participated in the following exercises in 2008:

a.	Amalgam Arrow FTX	4 conducted;
b.	Amalgam Arrow CPX	7 conducted;
c.	Fencing Sabre CPX	2 conducted;
d.	Fencing Gain CPX	6 conducted;
e.	Fencing Spade FTX	6 conducted;
g.	Global War on Terrorism Exercise	2 conducted;
ĥ.	Polar Force 08-01	14-18 Jan;
i.	Polar Force 08-03	24-29 Mar;
j.	Red Flag AK 08-02	3-17 Apr;
k.	Ardent Sentry CPX 08	1-7 May;
1	Polar Force 08-04 (Phase 2 only)	27-30 May;
m.	Red Flag AK 08-03	5-20 Jun;
n.	Amalgam Dart 07-01	12-14 Jun;
0.	Fencing Dart 08-01 FTX	24-25 Jun;
p.	Polar Force 08-05	15-18 Sep;
q.	Red Flag AK 09-01	2-17 Oct;
r.	Vigilant Shield Planex	6-10 Oct;
S.	Polar Force 09-01	27 - 30 Oct;
t.	Vigilant Shield 08 CPX	12-18 Nov;
u.	Vigilant Eagle FTX	27 -29 Nov; and
v.	DOHMA	8-12 Dec.

11. The following CC Elmendorf personnel completed flying hours as indicated with the 962nd AACS for a total of hours:

a.	Maj Abbott	47.4;
b.	Maj Beaulieu	144.5;
c.	Maj Servant	104.3;
d.	Capt Brisebois	146.3;
e.	Capt Considine	46.5;

f.	Capt J. Verran	181.3;
g.	MWO Adams	254.3;
h.	WO Wallace	217.1;
i.	Sgt Noseworthy	34.1;
j.	Sgt Rowlands	137.7;
k.	MCpl Bateman	86.8; and
l.	MCpl McLean	47.4

12. CC Elmendorf personnel participated in and/or completed the following courses, training events and qualifications in 2008:

a.	Capt MacNeil	Space Ops Course, 17 Wing Winnipeg	21 Jan – 8 Feb;
b.	Capt O'Neil	Second Language Training, 8 Wing Trenton	24 Feb – 3 Apr;
c.	Sgt Wallace	E-3 Flight Engineer, Tinker AFB	Finished in Feb;
d.	Capt J. Verran	E-3 Air Surveillance Officer, Tinker AFB	Finished in Mar;
e.	Capt Grégoire	Link 16 Joint Interoperability	27 - 30 May;
f.	Capt J. Verran	Link 16 Joint Interoperability Course	27 - 30 May;
g.	Sgt Rowlands	Link 16 Joint Interoperability Course	27 - 30 May;
h.	MCpl Bateman	Link 16 Joint Interoperability Course	27 - 30 May;
i.	Maj Collacutt	176 th Mission Crew Commander	Started in Aug;
j.	Capt Morris	176 th Air Weapons Officer	Started in Aug;
k.	WO Delaney	176 th Mission Crew Commander - Technician	Started in Aug;
1.	Sgt F. Larlee	Intermediate Air Environmental Qual	29 Sep – 3 Oct;
m.	Sgt G. Carleton	Intermediate Air Environmental Qual	29 Sep – 3 Oct;
n.	Capt Considine	E-3 Navigator, Tinker AFB	Finished in Dec;
0.	Capt Grégoire	176 th Senior Director	Finished 5 Dec;
p.	Capt MacNeil	176 th Mission Crew Commander	Started in Dec;

13. CC Elmendorf personnel participated in the following trips, conferences, and boards in 2008:

a.	MWO Adams	Unit WOs Conference, 17 Wing Winnipeg	28 Jan - 1 Feb
b.	Maj Beaulieu	962 AACS TDY, 3 Wing Bagotville	3-7 Mar;
c.	MWO Adams	962 AACS TDY, 3 Wing Bagotville	3-7 Mar
d.	Sgt Rowlands	962 AACS TDY, 3 Wing Bagotville	3-7 Mar
e.	WO Benoit	Vigilant Shield 09 Conference, Peterson AFB	12-15 Feb;
f.	Capt S. Verran	WADS Cross Training, McChord AFB	4-6 Mar;
g.	Sgt Larlee	WADS Cross Training, McChord AFB	4-6 Mar;
h.	Col Bédard	NORAD Round Table Discussion	10-12 Apr;
i.	LCol McLean	PER Boards, Pertson AFB	13-15 Apr;
j.	MWO Adams	PER Boards, Pertson AFB	13-15 Apr;
k.	Col Bédard	Cape Newenham LRR Visit	23 Apr;
1.	Capt Tinsley	Harassment Investigator, Peterson AFB	21-25 Apr;
m.	Sgt Carleton	Harassment Investigator, Peterson AFB	21-25 Apr;
n.	Maj Doucette	Women in Aviation Conference, Esquimalt	Apr;
ο.	Maj Doucette	Capt Merit Board, Ottawa	Apr;

p.	Col Bédard	NORAD "Seven Office Call", Peterson AFB	11-14 May;
q.	Col Bédard	NORAD 50 th Anniversary, Peterson AFB	12 May;
r.	Capt S. Verran	NORAD 50 th Anniversary, Peterson AFB	12 May;
s.	Sgt Larlee	NORAD 50 th Anniversary, Peterson AFB	12 May;
t.	Col Bédard	CFSACO TD, Cornwall	23 May;
u.	Col Bédard	SCAN Seminar, Ottawa	26-27 May;
v.	Col Bédard	ACAG Spring 2008, 17 Wing Winnipeg	28-29 May;
w.	WO Benoit	Vigilant Shield 09 Conference, Offutt AFB	10-13 Jun;
X.	Col Bédard	Canadian Consulate General Visit, Seatle	28 Jun - 2 Jul;
у.	B Flt Personnel	Airshow Elmendorf AFB	28-29 Jun;
z.	Maj Beaulieu	962 AACS TDY in Eielson AFB	7-18 Jul;
aa.	MWO Adams	962 AACS TDY in Eielson AFB	7-18 Jul;
bb.	Capt Paradie	Russian LRA Conference, Ottawa	Aug;
cc.	WO Benoit	Ardent Sentry Conference, Colorado Springs	5-8 Aug;
dd.	WO Benoit	Vigilant Shield 09 Conference, Peterson AFB	9-12 Aug;
ee.	WO Benoit	Vigilant Shield 09 Conference, JTF, Suffolk	21-24 Aug;
ff.	Sgt Noel	DGMC Conference, Cornwall	27-31 Oct;
gg.	Col Bédard	Formation Commanders Conference, Ottawa	24-26 Sep;
hh.	Col Bédard	NJ3 Conference & AEC SPAC, Peterson AFB	14-17 Oct;
ii.	Capt Paradie	USAF Standards Coord Mtg, Nellis AFB	Nov;
jj.	Sgt Rowlands	Remedy Training Seminar, Colorado Springs	3-7 Nov;
kk.	Col Bédard	CO's Conference, Tinker AFB	4-7 Nov;
11.	Col McLean	CO's Conference, Tinker AFB	4-7 Nov;
mm.	MWO Adams	CO's Conference, Tinker AFB	4-7 Nov;
nn.	MCpl Brecheisen	Claims X/ACS Trg, Colorado Spring	16-20 Nov;
00.	Sgt Carleton	Harassment Advisor's Course, Edmonton	17-21 Nov;
pp.	Col Bédard	1 Cdn Air Div COMD Trg Session 08	12-15 Nov;
qq.	Capt S. Verran	CNOS Admin Conference, Peterson AFB	7-12 Dec;
rr.	Sgt Noel	CNOS Admin Conference, Peterson AFB	7-12 Dec;
SS.	MCpl Brecheisen		7-12 Dec;
tt.	Capt MacNeil	NORAD Cross Border Conf., Peterson AFB	16 Dec;
uu.	WO Wallace	962 AACS TDY, Tyndal AFB	7-18 Dec;

14. CC Elmendorf personnel participated in the following sporting events in 2008:

a.	Maj Murphy	Top Rock Military Curling Bonspiel	9 Feb;
b.	MWO Adams	Top Rock Military Curling Bonspiel	9 Feb;
c.	WO Benoit	Top Rock Military Curling Bonspiel	9 Feb;
d.	PO2 Chamberlin	Top Rock Military Curling Bonspiel	9 Feb;
e.	Col Bédard	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
f.	LCol MacMillan	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
g.	Maj Beaulieu	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
h.	Capt Livingston	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
i.	Capt Grégoire	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
j.	Capt Randell	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
k.	Capt O'Neil	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;

1.	Capt Smith	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
m.	Sgt McCarron	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
n.	Sgt Noel	AK Military Hockey, Fort Wainwright	14-18 Mar;
0.	LCol MacMillan	Anchorage Mayor's Marathon	21 Jun; and
p.	Capt Grégoire	Anchorage Mayor's Marathon	21 Jun.

15. On 11 November 2008, the Canadian and American militaries performed a combined Remembrance Day/Veterans Day Service at the Alaska National Guard Armory, Camp Denali at Fort Richardson. At the conclusion of the indoor ceremony, the Canadian Component and members of the Anchorage community proceeded to the Fort Richardson National Cemetery, where 11 Canadian Servicemen who died in the Aleutians Campaign during World War II are interred.

Social Activities

- 16. Despite the geographic distribution of Component members and the many varied challenges presented by living in Alaska, the unit maintains an active social calendar. The Maple Leaf Room (MLR), an all-ranks mess, is the centre for most functions. The MLR helps keep morale high and provides mutual support for the members and their families while away from Canada.
- 17. While the MLR is the primary venue for Canadian activities, the Component has access to numerous USAF facilities such as the various chalets on the base, the recreation camp at Seward, and the Elmendorf Officer's Club for social/recreational activities.
- 18. Hockey is a prominent sporting activity in Anchorage with the Component fielding two hockey teams. The first one, the Mirror Pond Moose Hockey Team, competes in a local Anchorage league at the "intermediate" level. The Mirror Pond Moose Hockey Team participated in the Fairbanks Military Hockey Tournament from 14 to 18 Mar 2008, finishing with a respectable fourth place. The team also participated in the Labatt Blue Pond Hockey Tournament with distinction. The Mirror Moose Drool is the second hockey team. This team, which was created in 2007, plays at the "novice" level. Lastly, the 176 ACS fielded its own hockey team, which several Component members playing alongside their American colleagues. Curling is the other sport of choice at the CC Elmendorf, many Canadians play in several leagues. A Canadian Team fielded by members of the CC Elmendorf competed against other U.S. military services and won the Top Rock Military Curling Bonspiel.
- 19. Major Canadian social events for 2008 included the following:

a.	Afterglow Levee 2008	5 Jan;
b.	Officer's vs NCM's Hockey Game	8 Feb;
c.	Winter Carnival Mini-Spiel	3 Feb;
d.	Winter Carnival	8-10 Feb;
e.	Mess Dinner	21 Mar;
f.	"Top Rock" Military Challenge Curling Bonspiel	9 Feb;
g.	CANAM Golf Tournament	20 June;

h.	Canada Day and Farewel BBQ	29 June;
i.	Meet and Greet BBQ	24 Aug;
j.	Canadian Thanksgiving	12 Oct;
k.	Remembrance Day	11 Nov;
1.	Adult Christmas Party	6 Dec;
m.	Children's Christmas Party	7 Dec; and
n.	Officer's vs NCM Hockey Game	19 Dec

DND Property

20. There was no loss or damage to DND property or equipment in 2008.

Component Commander's Comments

21. The year 2008 was both demanding and rewarding for all CC Elmendorf personnel, and continued to offer ample challenges and training opportunities. At this moment, two operational F-22 Squadrons are stood-up and participate in the daily Wing operations, offering exciting opportunities to all Canadian personnel actively training with them. Lastly, ANR was the recipient of the Partridge-Slemon Award. This annual award was presented to ANR in recognition of the outstanding contribution in support of the NORAD Air Defense Mission. This is of note, since the Canadian Component's contribution to the efforts resulting in this Award was significant.

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Lieutenant-Colonel

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Component Commander

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Nominal Roll

As of 31 December 2008, the following Canadian Forces personnel were on strength with the CC Elmendorf:

	Col S. Bédard	(Danier Comment of AND)
a. b.		(Deputy Commander – ANR)
	LCol J.A. McLean	(Component Commander)
C.	Maj J. Abbott	(962 AACS – B Flt)
d.	Maj B. Beaulieu	(611 AOC – D Comd)
e.	Maj M. Collacutt	(176 ACS – A Flt Comd)
f.	Maj R.M. Green	(611 AOC – C Flt Comd)
g.	Maj J.L.M Servant	(962 AACS – B Flt Comd)
h.	Capt M.J.G. Brisebois	(962 AACS – B Flt)
i.	Capt D. Cicci	(611 ASG – C Flt)
j.	Capt A.K. Considine	(962 AACS – B Flt)
k.	Capt M.J.J. Grégoire	(176 ACS – A Flt)
l.	Capt M.G. MacNeil	(176 ACS – A Flt)
m.	Capt P. Morris	(176 ACS - A Flt)
n.	Capt T.M.P.J. O'Neil	(611 AOC – C Flt)
0.	Capt F.J. Paradie	(611 AIS – D Flt)
p.	Capt C.A. Randell	(611 AOC – C Flt)
q.	Capt C.K. Smith	(176 ACS – A Flt)
r.	Capt J. Verran	(962 AACS – B-Flt)
s.	Capt S.M.L Verran	(D Flt Comd - AO)
t.	Lt S.M. Gagnon	(176 ACS – A Flt)
u.	MWO K. Adams	(962 AACS & Unit MWO)
v.	WO G.S. Benoit	(611 AOC – C Flt)
w.	WO D. Delaney	(176 ACS – A Flt)
x.	WO J.A. Wallace	(962 AACS – B Flt)
у.	Sgt G. Carleton	(611 AOC – C Flt)
z.	Sgt F. Larlee	(176 ACS – A Flt)
aa.	Sgt G.D. Noel	(D Flt - PSC C Clerk)
bb.	Sgt C.D Noseworthy	(962 AACS – B Flt)
cc.	Sgt P.W. Rowlands	(962 AACS – B Flt)
dd.	MCpl J. Bateman	(962 AACS – B Flt)
ee.	MCpl W. Brecheisen	(D Flt – PSC 2IC)
ff.	MCpl T.C. McLean	(962 AACS – B Flt)
gg.	Ms Debbie Davis (Civilian)	(ANR CD Secretary)
hh.	Ms Liz Morris	(CCPC)
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