

Presentation of the RCN Ensign of His Majesty's Canadian Ship Barrie to the City of Barrie



by the Sir Robert Barrie
Project Committee
15 January 2025

Sequence of Events

- Introduction
- Provenance of HMCS Barrie's Ensign
- Introduction of the Donor
- The Unveiling
- Tribute to those who sacrificed their lives during the Battle of the Atlantic
- Concluding remarks

Sir Robert Barrie

Committee Members

- Former Mayor, Honorary-Colonel Emeritus Janice Laking
- Former Alderman, Honorary-Colonel Emeritus, the late Rob Warman, CD
- Major (ret'd) Jean Maurice Pigeon, CD
- Master Warrant Officer (ret'd) Randolph Rice, CD
- Lieutenant-Colonel (ret'd) Bill Sergeant, OMM, CD

Special Mention

- Norma-Jean Greenslade – donor of the Ensign;
- Members of the 1st Canadian Army Veterans, Ortona Branch from London, ON *;
- Matt and Heather Gleben – major donors;
- Mr. Don Houghton – modeller of K138;
- The Navy League – Mrs. Diane Chislett; and
- Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps 53 Barrie.

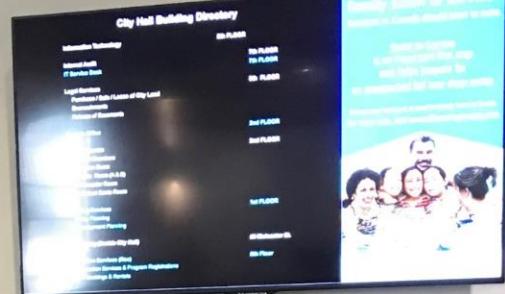


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Provenance of the Ensign

- Belonged to HMCS Barrie in 1945;
- Obtained by Mr. John Parker who served on sister ship HMCS Algoma from 1939 – 1945;
- Ensign given to David Lawrence Greenslade who was a Church Organist who played at several Battle of the Atlantic ceremonies;
- Donated by Norma-Jean Greenslade in memory of her late husband, David Lawrence Greenslade;
- Purveyed to the city of Barrie by 1 CAV Ortona.

HMCS Barrie (K-138)



Unveiling of the RCN Ensign

- His Worship Mayor Nuttall, former Mayor & HCol (Emritus) Janice Laking and Mrs. Norma-Jean Greenslade to unveil;
- Ringing of HMCS Barrie bell by the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps 53 Barrie in memory of the sailors who served during the Battle of the Atlantic;
- Photo Opportunity.

HMCS Barrie (K-138) Crew 1945



Ensign Framer

Petra Hewson, Hewson Fine Arts Services



Closing Remarks

- Thank you to Mrs. Norma-Jean Greenslade for donating the Ensign to the city of Barrie and to the Sir Robert Barrie Project for having it framed;
- The RCN Ensign from HMCS Barrie will be displayed in the Reception area of the Mayor's outer office;
- May we long remember the strong bonds between the city of Barrie and Canada's military.