## **WO Tim Mamye**

WO Tim Mamye will be retiring from the CF on 2 Sep 11 after nearly 26 years of service. He joined the CF on 2 Oct 1985 at CFRS Charlottetown, PEI. After successfully completing his basic training at CFB Cornwallis he was off to the bright lights and big city of CFB Petawawa as a member of the 8<sup>th</sup> Canadian Hussars, Recce Squadron. After a re-badge ceremony in 1987, Tpr (still the best sounding rank in the CF) Mamye became a Royal Canadian

Dragoon and was soon posted to CFB Gagetown and the Armoured School. After forming young minds and bodies for a couple of years as a member of Depot Squadron, MCpl Mamye was posted back to CFB Petawawa as a member of 1<sup>st</sup> Troop Para, Recce Squadron. Some career highlights during the army days were being a member of the first Armour Corp Assault Troop to be stood up since the Korean War, completing an Airborne Indoctrination Course earning his Operational Wings, becoming a Jump Master and earning his US Marine wings, all the while enjoying the good life in sunny Pet.

Hoping to spend more time at home with a busy family, MCpl Mamye decided to make the switch to Fire Fighter, completely ignoring the knowledge that ships do in fact sail, in 1993 and after completing his QL3 course was posted to beautiful Comox, BC. After several years and qualifications Cpl Mamye was posted to HMCS Halifax and subsequently SPL Halifax, again promoted to MCpl, he sailed onboard 7 of the 10 East Coast Naval vessels for varying lengths of time, including a NATO with HMCS Fredericton and deploying for Op Apollo with HMCS Charlottetown. Following his ship tour MCpl Mamye was posted to Shearwater as a DPC and soon promoted to Sgt and PC. After a few years Sgt Mamye was posted back to the West Coast and HMCS Calgary for a very short 5 months which was followed by stints as Senior FF at the Damage Control School in Esquimalt and a short attached posting to Sea Training Pacific. Following a very short year in Victoria, WO Mamye was heading back down east to Shearwater as the Deputy Fire Chief until a very recent move to CFLS in Gatineau. Deciding to leave the CF has not been a decision taken lightly, leaving the comradeship of the 149 family and the strong bond made with many hockey teammates through the years, including 7 National Championship teams, is softened somewhat by the new career challenge that lays ahead and the possibility that somewhere back in PEI there is still a Leaf scout lurking around at the odd rec league game.

Mary Lou and Tim will be heading back home to Charlottetown this fall where he has accepted the position of Deputy Fire Chief with the City of Charlottetown Fire and Emergency Services. They are leaving behind many great memories with the CF but hopefully not the many excellent friends, teammates and coworkers they have had the privilege of meeting through the years. Two of their sons, Rick and Matt, along with their families, remain in the Halifax area and their youngest son Zach is in Edmonton, meaning they will be visiting these cities and Bases many times over in the future.

A DWD function has not been planned at this time.