



WO Christian Plamondon CD (Ret'd)

Warrant Officer Chris Plamondon joined the Governor General's Foot Guards in Ottawa on the 27 March 1990. On completion of his basic training and infantry course, he served with the rifle company for the next 5 ½ years. During this time he was employed as a rifleman and on completion of his machine gunners course was then part of his Platoons weapons detachment. He also conducted ceremonial duties on Parliament Hill as part of the Ceremonial Guards.

On 09 August 1995, he transferred to the regular forces and was sent to CFB Chilliwack to start his Field Engineer training. When he completed his training, WO Plamondon was posted to 2 Combat Engineer Regiment in Petawawa, Ontario in December of 1995.

On arrival to 2 CER, he was assigned to the newly formed 24 Fd Sqn. He then served the majority of his time between 23 and 24 Fd Sqns in various positions reaching the rank of Sgt and commanding a field section. He also served with 25 Sp Sqn as an Armoured Engineer Operator and finished his time at 2 CER as the Regimental Training NCO in RHQ. He deployed to Bosnia in 1998 as a Fd Sect member. In 2005 he deployed to Afghanistan as a Fd Sect 2IC, where he crew commanded a LAV III. His time at 2 CER ended in July 2009 after 14 yrs when he was posted to Canadian Forces Joint Head Quarters as the J3 Operations NCO in Kingston Ontario.

His posting to Kingston only lasted 3 years, but was full of eye opening experience from a Sgt coming from a combat unit. He was part of a Higher Staff Head Quarters for 2 years which was responsible for the deployment and staffing of the HQ for the DART and NEO organisations. In January 2010 he deployed with the DART to Haiti. He was also part of the stand-up of 1 Cdn Div HQ. Upon his promotion to Warrant Officer in July 2011, he was posted to The Royal Military Collage of Canada as a Divisional Warrant Officer. His responsibility was to mentor the Officer Cadets at the College. He was the D Div WO and was responsible for 380 Officer Cadets within his Division. WO Plamondon was posted back home to 2 CER in the summer of 2012 as the Operations WO in 23 Fd Sqn.

Returning to 2 CER allowed him to get back into regimental life. This included planning exercises, courses, and organizing tasks between both Fd Tp's within 23 Fd

Sqn. After a long year with 23 Fd Sqn he was assigned to the newly created 26 Counter IED Sqn as the first EROC Tp WO. He was then sent to 4 ESR to attend the EROC Section Commander's course to enhance his skills as the EROC TP WO. For the next year he mentored his Tp Commander and his Troops on the tactic and implementation of the Tp. The Sqn was then reorganized a year later and he became the Sqn Quartermaster Sgt for the Sqn. He stayed in that position for the next 8 months prior to being posted to JPSU.

WO (RET) Christian Plamondon CD, retired from the Canadian Armed Forces on On 28 October 2016 after 26 + years of loyal and dedicated service, of which 21 years and 58 days was spent as a Cbt Engr. A retirement function will be held on Thursday 9 March 17, 1130-1500 hrs at the Reichwald WO & Sgts Mess, Garrison Petawawa, 13 Amiens Road, Building J-106, Petawawa, On. Attendees are requested to advise the OPI of their planned attendance NLT 2 Mar 17, cost will be \$10 and will include a light lunch. Congratulatory messages, anecdotes, photos, and farewell wishes can be forwarded to OPI: MWO Curtis Watt at Curtis.Watt@forces.gc.ca