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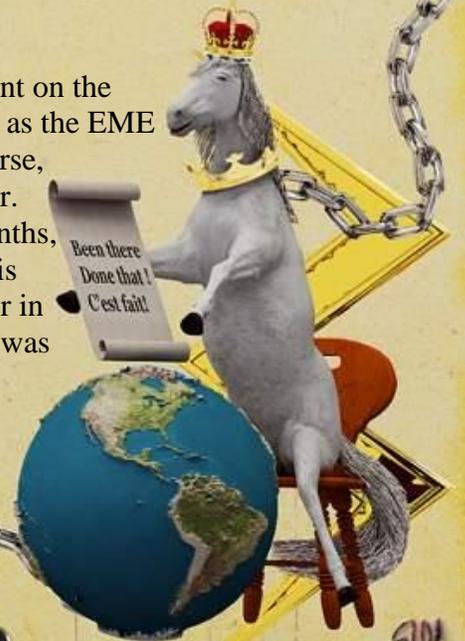
Retirement Message: Cpl Stacy Luker – Veh Tech

After 30+ years as a Vehicle Technician, Cpl Stacy Luker has decided to finally hang up his uniform. His last day was 01 Feb 2018; he will hopefully be rejoining the public service as a DND Civilian employee in the near future.

Cpl Luker enrolled in the CAF 12 Sept 1983. He was young, energetic and ready to get his career started as an Air Weapons Tech, after 147 days in, he changed his mind. On the 17 Jan 1986, Stacy Luker realized washing dishes for a living was not for him and joined up again as a Veh Tech. After all the training he ended up at Base Maint (P6) Winnipeg and finished his contract in May of 89 becoming a Civi again. The third time was a charm and in Apr of 91 Cfn Luker was back, this time at 2 Svc Bn Petawawa for 6 months, then off to 427 Tac Hel Sqn where he finally got his Cpls in April of 92. Cpl Luker did two tours while with them, UNPROFOR – FY (Croatia) CCSG Daruvar in 93, and UN Mission Haiti – Port au Prince in 95.

Cpl Luker was posted back to 2 Svc Bn in Aug of 96 and was sent on the EME MRT Commanders Course in Sept (which is better known as the EME Seal Course). He received no official qualification from this course, but a broken body. His marking time never looked the same after.

Cpl Luker was promoted to MCpl on 15 Jun 98, but after 10 months, decided he liked twisting wrenches far more, and relinquished his rank/appointment. Also during this time he went on his third tour in Feb 99 with NATO in Velika Kladuša with the NSE. Cpl Luker was then posted to ASU London (Windsor DET) in Jul 2000.



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Over the next 9 years or so, Cpl Luker had several more postings and deployments before coming to rest in sunny Comox in Jul 2009. These included 2 GS Bn in 2003, back to VK in 2004, Kabul in Oct 2005, Kandahar in Feb 2006, 2 CER Jun 2006, and 2 CFSU Ottawa (Uplands) Jul 2007.

Cpl Stacy Luker's sense of humour/good nature and wealth of technical knowledge will be sorely missed by those that have worked with him over the years. He will continue to reside in the Comox Valley area preaching the gospel of all things "Dodge" and tinkering away on the Coronet in his spare time.

Cpl Luker's DWD Celebration will take place at the 19 Wing Warrants and Sergeants Mess on the 16 Feb 2018. For those that know Stacy and wish to send congratulatory message and anecdotes please forward them to MCpl Joshua Sell - joshua.sell2@forces.gc.ca



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