

# RCEME GEMRC

## RETIREMENT MESSAGE



**Sgt Owen Wiseman CD**

After 30.5 years of service with the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and the Corps of Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RCEME), Sgt Wiseman will retire on 29 April 2020.

Sgt Wiseman joined the Canadian Armed Forces as a Vehicle Technician on 8 Nov 1989 and subsequently began his basic training at Canadian Forces Recruit School Cornwallis, Nova Scotia on 18 Nov 1989.

Upon completion of basic training Sgt Wiseman was posted to the RCEME School at CFB Borden to begin his QL3 as a Vehicle Technician. On completion of his QL3 he was posted to CFB Gagetown Base Maintenance. Once he completed his QL4 in Jul 1992 he was posted to 4 ESR. He was on his way back to the RCEME School in Jan 1993 for his QL5. He was promoted to Cpl in Oct 1993 and was off to the school again in June 1994 for his EGSE course. In Jan 1996 Sgt Wiseman was again on course, this time in CFB Chatham for his ADATS Veh Maint course in preparation for his posting that summer to 4 AD Regt in CFB Chatham, until the unit moved to CFB Gagetown in Oct that year. In Feb 1998 he completed his LLAD Fire Unit (Gun/Skyguard) Veh Maint Course. During his time with 4AD he deployed on OP Persistence (Swiss Air Crash) in Sept 1998 as well as multiple trips to beautiful CFB Suffield.



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In Jul 2000 Sgt Wiseman was posted to CFJSR in CFB Kingston and promoted to MCpl in Jul 2003. In Jan 2004 he headed east to Land Force Atlantic Training Center Aldershot for his Mods 1 to 5. On his return to Kingston he completed Mod 6 with the course that was being run by CFJSR.

Jul 2008 saw him on the road a bit north west to CFB Petawawa and 2 Svc Bn where he was IC 42 Fld Arty Regt and CSS Training Vehicle Maintenance. In 2009 he was posted to 1 RCR in preparation for deployment Afghanistan Task Force 1-10 as Battle Group LEMS Clerk from Apr to Dec 2010. He was posted back to 2 Svc Bn in Jul 2013 where he stepped back into the position of IC 42 Fld Arty Regt and CSS Training Vehicle Maintenance. In 2014 he moved down the hall as 2IC A Shop and Components.

In April 2016 Sgt Wiseman again headed east, this time to the RCEME School Det Gagetown for his DP3 Common course. He was promoted to Sgt in Jun and posted to 1 CDN FD HOSP in July of that year as IC Veh Maint. He was again on the road to Borden in Sept, this time to the CFCCA/CBRN Academy for his Unit CBRN Defence NCO Course. He was appointed Unit CBRN Officer and ran the gas hut for many personnel deploying on OP IMPACT as well as regular Unit IBTS.

The highlight of his career was on Remembrance Day 2019 when as Colour Party Commander for the Royal Canadian Legion Deep River Br 436 ceremonies. There were three RCEME Soldiers with him in the colour party.

Sgt Wiseman is planning on retiring to Kingston with his wife Erin, where they are looking forward to spending time with their grandchildren. He will work when he has to and spend his free time riding his motorcycle with Erin on the back.

He would like to thank all those he has worked with over the years who have helped make his career both rewarding and enjoyable.

A Departure with Dignity (DWD) Ceremony will be held on 17 April 2020 at noon at Royal Canadian Legion in Petawawa. A lunch will be available for a small charge. Please confirm your attendance and send your stories, messages and photos to Sgt Ryan Downey at [RYAN.DOWNNEY@forces.gc.ca](mailto:RYAN.DOWNNEY@forces.gc.ca) so will know how many to prepare for.



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