

HMCS/CFB Cornwallis

MILITARY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society was formed to gather, preserve and restore artefacts which would have been destroyed during the base closure. Museum exhibits give a glimpse of life on the former training base. Experience the interactive displays - try your hand at knot tying and flag recognition. Located in the former St. George's Chapel the museum is the original home of the **Battle of the Atlantic Commemorative Windows**, 24 windows in memory of the 24 ships lost in the Battle of the Atlantic during WW II.



Jesus and His Sailors



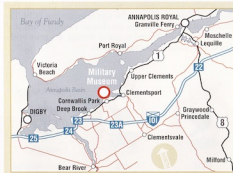
THE GIFT SHOP
carries a variety of
HMCS/CFB Cornwallis
souvenirs and gifts.



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Note:

The Chapel has been re consecrated and is available for weddings.
The Cornwallis Military Museum is a non-profit organization, and income tax receipts are issued for all donations over \$10.



HMCS/CFB Cornwallis MILITARY MUSEUM



HMCS Cornwallis

Commissioned in 1942.
The largest naval training base in the Commonwealth during World War II.

The Cornwallis Military Museum

Keeping alive the spirit and history
of the former training base.

Hours Of Operation

Open Daily from June 28 to August 30, 10:30am-5pm
September 1-15th: 1pm-5pm. Closed on Tuesdays

Adults: \$3.00 • Children under 15 years: \$1.00 • Members Free
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- 1942: HMCS Cornwallis commenced naval new entry training - became largest training base in the Commonwealth.
- 1946: Declared surplus and closed.
- 1949: Re-Commissioned and re-commenced new entry training to meet the demands of the cold war.
- 1951: Commenced training female recruits.
- 1966: Unification of Armed forces - renamed CFB Cornwallis.
- 1968: Commenced training recruits for all services
- 1994: Base closed.
- Now a successful industrial park with over 40 businesses and organizations.
- Over 500,000 military recruits, staff and civilians passed through HMCS/CFB Cornwallis.

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is a tribute to the men and women who built the base during wartime conditions. They did it in a short period of time - under budget - and those who were trained in Cornwallis went on to serve their country in times of peace and conflict.



In May of 1943, trainloads of recruits from across Canada arrived in Cornwallis. Construction continued around them as they trained to become members of the rapidly expanding RCN. The RCN was tasked with protecting the Atlantic shipping routes at all costs. In excess of 96,000 sailors passed through the gates by the end of WW II - many did not return home.



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Training that took place on the base included basic training, seamanship, communications, band training, leadership courses and much more.

With the unification of the Armed Forces, HMCS Cornwallis was renamed CFB Cornwallis and continued as a training base until it was closed in 1994. In the 52 years the base was in service over half a million military and civilian personnel trained and worked in Cornwallis.

