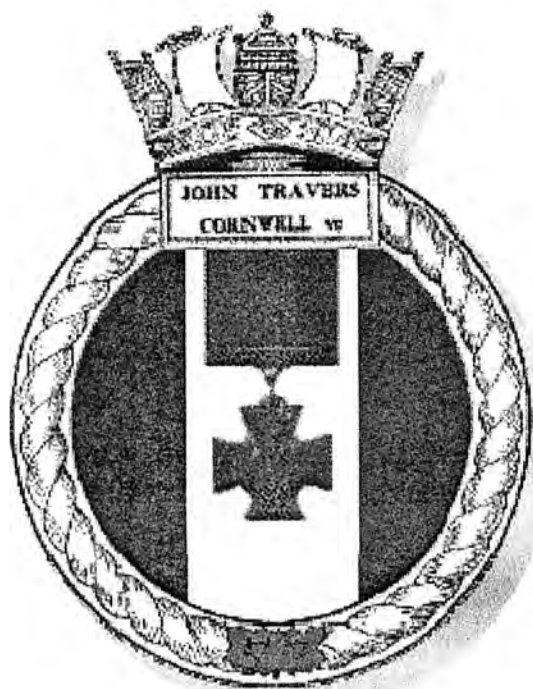


**RCSCC #49**  
**John Travers Cornwell**  
**Victoria Cross**



**86th**  
**Annual Inspection**  
**and**  
**Parade**



1920 - 2006



## Annual Inspection Order of the Evening

1850	Ceremonial Divisions Start
1910	Reviewing Officer and Party arrive
1925	Ships Company doubles off
1930	Drill Team display
1945	Band display
2000	Moving displays
2020	Stand Easy
2040	Drum Line display
2050	March on Sunset
2055	Awards and Presentations
2110	Speeches
2120	Sunset

### JTC Officers and Volunteers

Commanding Officer: Lt(N) S. Chadwick CD

Executive Officer: Lt(N) K. Daeninck

Administration Officer: Lt(N) G. Bruce CD

Supply Officer: Lt(N) J. DiMartino

Training Officer: Slt. A. Bourre

New Entry Officer: Slt. M. Gregoire

Band Officer: Slt. D. McKay

### Instructors

Lt(N) L. Palmquist

Ncdt. B. Scott

Lt(N) G. Roddy CD

Ms. S. Clairmont

Slt. S. Pelland

Mr. E. Gordon

Slt. S. Yaskiw

Mr. M. Reid

ASlt. J. Bruce CD

Mr. M. Wahl

ASlt. T. Chase



### **Commanding Officer Lt(N) S. Chadwick's remarks:**

This corps has a long and storied past. From its beginnings as the Boy's Naval Brigade in 1920 to its current status as a co-ed youth organization, the corps has seen many changes. It remains a strong and vibrant organization by its emphasis on drill and ceremonial traditions and on a strong training program with a variety of activities. The corps is led by an enthusiastic group of 18 officers and volunteers, each of whom is a former sea cadet, including 16 who are former cadets of this corps.

I wish to thank the officers and cadets for the opportunity to work with them and I look forward to continue to build on our strengths.

### **Reviewing Officer**

Lieutenant-Commander HP Heuthorst, CD, MCC, pstr

Lieutenant-Commander Heather Heuthorst (nee Collins) was born and educated in Halifax, Nova Scotia. She graduated from Dalhousie University in 1986 with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. LCdr Heuthorst joined the Naval Reserve as a non-commissioned member in Halifax in 1978 and rose to the rank of Petty Officer First Class in the Administration Branch. She held many positions as an administration clerk, working both in administrative and training positions. This employment included extended employment as the 2 I/C of the Naval Reserve Co-ordination Centre (Halifax), and the Training Petty Officer and Physical Training Instructor for Summer Youth Employment Programs in HMCS SCOTIAN.

LCdr Heuthorst received her Commission-From-the-Ranks in 1986 and began her career as a Personnel Administration Officer. She was employed in short and long term positions as the Training Administration Officer in the Officer Training Division (Esquimalt), Training and Personnel Administration Officer in HMCS SCOTIAN (Halifax), Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff Personnel in Maritime Command and the Staff Officer Administration and Personnel for the Reserve Training Unit (Atlantic), now the Fifth Maritime Operations Group. She completed the Officer Professional Development Program in 1990 and STAR 1 at the Canadian Forces Staff School in Toronto in 1992. In December 1996 she transferred to HMCS CHIPPAWA where she has held the positions of Officer Training Officer, Professional Development Officer, Logistics Officer and Executive Officer. LCdr Heuthorst completed the Joint Reserve Command and Staff Course at Canadian Forces Command and Staff College in 1999, and was actively involved in the occupation review and training development for the Naval Reserve Logistics Officer occupation following the amalgamation of the Logistics and Personnel Administration occupations. She was employed by Canadian Forces Fleet School Quebec to design and conduct conversion training for Naval Reserve officers and continues to work in the school as the Course Director for the Logistics Officer training. LCdr Heuthorst was promoted to her current rank in July 1999 and assumed Command of HMCS CHIPPAWA on July 28, 2004.

LCdr Heuthorst's awards and decorations include the Maritime Commander's Commendation for her work with OPERATION ASSISTANCE during the 1997 Red River Flood, the Canadian Forces Decoration (First Clasp), the Commanding Officer's Certificate of Recognition (HMCS SCOTIAN, 1996) and the Canadian Forces Aerobic Award of Excellence. In 1993 she received the Marilyn MacDonald Memorial Award from the YMCA (Brookdale Unit) in Dartmouth, NS for outstanding volunteerism and long service in the areas of health, fitness and administration. LCdr Heuthorst is very involved with the YMCA-YWCA organization where she is a certified Fitness Leader for both land and aquatic fitness, a certified Trainer of Fitness Leaders and acts as a public speaker on the organization's behalf. LCdr Heuthorst is married to Major Theo Heuthorst, who is currently posted to 443 Maritime Helicopter Squadron in Victoria, BC. They have two daughters, Anastasia and Beatrix.

**John Travers Cornwell** was born on January 8, 1900 at Clyde Cottage, Clyde Place, Leyton, Essex, England, the son of Eli and Lily King-Cornwell. Cornwell had always been keen to join the Navy, but his parents refused to allow him to join at first. When he left school, he became a delivery van boy for Brooke, Bond and Company. The war persuaded his parent to let him sign up, and Cornwell joined the Navy at Davenport on July 27, 1915, becoming Boy Second Class J.T. Cornwell (official service number J/42653). He found seamanship to be fairly easy, but when he went to H.M.S. Vivid for gunnery training, the going was more difficult. He then transferred to the H.M.S. Chester, a new light cruiser, on it's commissioning day.



**During World War I**, on May 31, 1916, at 17:40 hrs, in the North Sea off Jutland, the cruiser Chester found herself in action against four German cruisers in a battle which would later be know as the "Battle of Jutland". The Chester's guns were no match for those of the German cruisers, and she was hit 17 times in just a few minutes.

**After the shock of battle**, only one figure was still standing by the turret. He was Boy First Class John Travers Cornwell, the sight setter, who took his orders from fire control and applied the necessary range corrections to the gun. He was, literally, a boy, not yet 16 1/2 years old, and had been in the Royal Navy for less then a year. But the short months of Naval discipline told. Though he was mortally wounded, Cornwell remained standing alone at a most exposed post, quietly awaiting orders, until the end of the action, with the gun's crew dead and wounded all around him.

**Cornwell lived** long enough to be taken ashore, but he died of his wounds in Grimsby Hospital on June 2, 1916. After his death he was awarded the Victoria Cross for his impressive behavior in the Battle of Jutland. Because of his youth, Boy Cornwell rapidly became one of the most famous of all Victoria Cross winners. His devotion to duty was an example to us all. The wounds which resulted in his death were received in the first few minutes of action, yet he remained at his most exposed post on the gun, waiting for orders. His gun would not bear on the enemy, all but two of the ten members of the gun's crew were killed or wounded, and he was alone in a very exposed position. But he felt he might be needed, and indeed he might have been, so he stayed, standing and waiting, under heavy fire.

John Travers Cornwell, Victoria Cross, who died at his post of duty, leaves us all this message:

Obey your orders, Stay your post, Always be ready.

This provide us with our Corps' motto:

***"Stand Your Station"***

Parents and Cadets;

Please Note:

- May 25th (next week) will be Promotional Parade and the corps photo. Parents are welcome to attend and take pictures of the event.
- June 1st is the Corps Picnic at BonnyCastle Park (weather permitting) All cadets, parents and family are welcome.