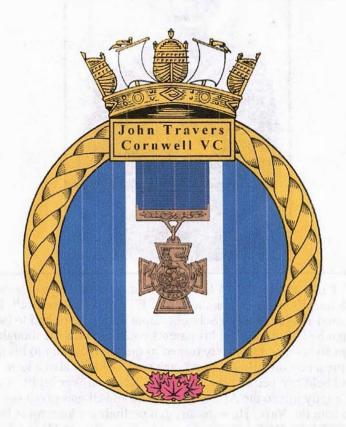
Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps John Travers Cornwell Victoria Cross



102nd Annual Ceremonial Review Parade
June 20, 2022

Boy Seaman 1st Class John Travers Cornwell VC 1900 - 1916



CORNWELL, JOHN TRAVERS, Boy, First Class, Royal Navy, was born on 8 Jan. 1900, at Leyton, the son of Eli and Alice Cornwell. He was educated at Walton Road School, Manor Park. He wished to be a sailor when he left school, but his parents could not bear the thought of losing him so soon so he bravely turned to the work that lay to his hand, and became a boy on a Brook Bond's tea van. Jack was also a keen Boy Scout, and held two certificates. When the European War broke out his father promptly joined the Army, and Jack Cornwell was given his chance to join the Navy. He went through preliminary training at Devonport from 27 July, 1915 and became a First Class Boy on HMS Chester for active service in Admiral Beatty's North Sea Squadron. A few months after Jack Cornwell joined his ship, Admiral Beatty came to grips with the German High Seas Fleet near Jutland 31st May 1916. Jack Cornwell was mortally wounded in action, and died two days later in Grimsby hospital. He was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.

From the <u>London Gazette</u>, 15 Sept. 1916: "John Travers Cornwell, Boy (First Class), O.N. J.42563: Mortally wounded early in the action, Boy, First Class, John Travers 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 around him. His age was under sixteen and a half years."

Corps Officers and Volunteers

Commanding Officer

Executive Officer

Supply Officer

LCdr K. Daeninck CD

Lt(N) S. Chadwick CD

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Assistant Supply Officer SLt J. Junsay Training Officer SLt S. Le

Assistant Training Officer Lt(N)(ret'd)/CI L. Palmquist CD

Band Officer MWO C. Bamford CD

Band Officer Sgt(ret'd) J. Bremault-Bamford CD

Instructor SLt S. Drake
Instructor SLt R. Fajardo
Instructor SLt J.P. Ruiz
Instructor Mr. I. Anderson

Senior Cadets

Coxswain CPO1 B. Shaw
Regulating Petty Officer CPO2 T. Krishka

Buffer CPO2 C. Mariano-Lajara Yeoman CPO2 S. Ocampo

Band Petty Officer CPO2. J. Granger

The Cadets and Officers of RCSCC John Travers Cornwell VC would like to acknowledge and extend our appreciation to the members of the Cornwell (Winnipeg) Branch for all of their time, effort and support of the Corps. We would also like to take this time to also acknowledge the support the Corps has received from the National and Provincial Divisions of the Navy League of Canada. Without your support, Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps John Travers Cornwell VC would not be where it is today. Thank you and Bravo Zulu for all that you do for us.

Important Dates to Remember

Monday, June 27th 2022 No Training

CPO2 Boards @ Supply

Supply open for cadets going to away for summer training

July - August 2022 Summer Break

12 Sep 2022 Resume in-person training at

HMCS CHIPPAWA

The Navy League of Canada Cornwell (Winnipeg) Branch

Welcome everyone to Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps John Travers Cornwell Victoria Cross 102nd Annual Ceremonial Review. This is our first inperson ACR since the COVID shutdown in March 2020. To say the last two years has been a challenge for the Cadet Corps as well as the Cornwell Branch is an understatement.

I would like to congratulate the Corps Commanding Officer, LCdr Kevin Daeninck, his Officers, the Chiefs' and Petty Officers' Mess and the Cadets, for achieving another successful cadet year. They have worked very hard to reach this point and continue to show the Cornwell pride. Throughout the last two years of online training, the Officers and Senior Cadets worked very hard to provide an interesting and imaginative program for the cadets. Getting back to in-person training presented more challenges as many cadets had no drill training and many either did not have a full uniform or had outgrown the one they did have. In addition to these challenges, we also had a change in parade night from Thursday to Monday as well as move our clothing and training supplies to an off-site storage facility. Due to hard work and dedication, the Corps continued on despite the many challenges.

The cadets parading before you tonight are part of the Canadian National Cadet Program. The partnership between the Navy League of Canada Cornwell Branch and the Department of National Defence sponsor RCSCC John Travers Cornwell VC. There are many people who work behind the scenes who support our program and I would like to acknowledge just a few here at our local level:

The staff at the Regional Cadet Support Unit (Norhtwest); Mr. Brian Hawkeye, President Manitoba Division Navy League of Canada;

The Executive and Members of the Cornwell Branch Navy League of Canada;

Manitoba Rifle Association who sponsor our Range Program West Kildonan Legion #30

Most important, I would like to thank the parents and their families. Without your support and encouragement, our cadets would not be able to achieve the success they share with you tonight.

Stand Your Station.

Don Bullee President