



The Canadian Club of Edmonton

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Nov. 2025 CCE Newsletter

Register now for our Nov. 19th Luncheon!

11:30 am Nov. 19th Café Lacombe at the Chateau Lacombe Hotel

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Bradley

Canada's Veterans' Week



Register by November 16th by emailing cdn1906@gmail.com or at
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054EABAF2FA7FCC70-60115578-lieutenant#/>

Join the Canadian Club of Edmonton and Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Bradley, LCol Thomas Bradley, commanding officer of the South Alberta Light Horse Regiment, for a conversation about Veterans' Week in Canada.

About our speaker: Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Bradley is the current commander of the South Alberta Light Horse (SALH), an armoured reconnaissance regiment based in Edmonton, Medicine Hat, and Lethbridge with battle honours in the North West Rebellion (1885), the Great War (1914-1918), the Second World War (1939-1945), and the War in Afghanistan (2001-2014). SALH is also affiliated with four corps of Royal Canadian Army Cadets in Edmonton, Medicine Hat, Camrose, and Lac Ste. Anne.

LCol Thomas Bradley has served in both the Regular Army and Reserve Army in many different positions, including Squadron Leader at Lord Strathcona's Horse Regiment, Chief of Operations with Task Force Kandahar, and Base Commander at CFB Edmonton. As well as serving as chief of staff with the Government of Alberta for the Ministers of Education and Infrastructure.

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Please sign up with full names for all attendees and any dietary restrictions. Sign up for either the Full meal (\$35) or the Sandwich plate (\$30) includes the salad or soup, and a dessert – all served to your table. Parking at the hotel is only \$5 - just bypass the hotel meters and pay at the door to register your license plate.

Debit and Credit card payment options are usually available. Cash or cheques are also accepted at the door for luncheon.

Any questions can be sent by emailing cdn1906@gmail.com.

Please share with family and friends this opportunity to learn about the benefits of building cooperatives in Canada! Guests are always welcome, but Lunch registrations are required.



Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Bradley MSM, CD

Born in Iserlohn Germany in 1968, Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley joined the Canadian Forces in 1986. Graduating from Royal Roads Military College in 1990, he completed his Armour Officer Phase training at Gagetown and was gazetted to his regiment, Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) in Calgary, Alberta. Following various appointments within the Regiment and Headquarters 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group, Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley was posted as an Instructor at the Canadian Forces Officer Candidate School, and later as a Tactics Instructor at the Canadian Forces School of Mechanical Engineering. His return to Regimental Duty included a tour in Bosnia and the appointment as Regimental Adjutant. For these privileges, Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley was then sentenced to a posting in Ottawa, within the Deputy Chief of Defence Staff's, Chief of Joint Operations Section. Returning to Regimental Duty as the Officer Commanding Reconnaissance Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley deployed to Afghanistan with his Squadron for a six-month tour of duty in January 2002 as part of Canada's first commitment of forces to that nation. Upon completion of this Regimental tour he was posted to National Defence Headquarters in 2003 where he was employed in the offices of the Minister of National Defence and Chief of Defence Staff. Returning to Edmonton in 2006, Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley was appointed as the Brigade Operations Officer where he supported force generation of troops for combat operations. Somehow in all of this he managed to write himself into a job on deployment and spent nine-months as the Chief of Operations for Task Force Kandahar. Subsequently he served as the Chief of Staff, 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group in Edmonton prior to assuming his appointment as Base Commander Edmonton from July 2009 to July 2011. Since 2011 he has been a member of Canada's Army Reserve. In 2023 he was privileged to have been selected for command of the South Alberta Light Horse. With soldiers located in Medicine Hat, Lethbridge and Edmonton, the Regiment has the distinction as Alberta's oldest established military unit.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley worked as a member of the Alberta Provincial Government until 2015. Since 2015 he has led his own consulting firm in Edmonton.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley holds a Bachelor of Arts in Military and Strategic Studies, Political Science and Economics concentration, from Royal Roads Military College and is a graduate of the Canadian Forces Command and Staff Course. He is also the recipient of the United States Army's Bronze Star and Canada's Meritorious Service Medal.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bradley is married to Carla and is the proud parent of three children.

Did you know?

The first large-scale Canadian peacekeeping mission started in Egypt in 1956. Since then, Canada's commitment to international peace efforts and other overseas military actions has been constant and visible. Some of the other peacekeeping missions involving Canada have included Cyprus, the Golan Heights, the former Yugoslavia, Somalia, Rwanda and East Timor.

The Canadian Armed Forces also perform many other important functions such as search and rescue, patrolling our air space and territorial waters, supporting anti-drug operations and helping out in the aftermath of natural disasters. The Canadian Rangers, an element of the Reserves, provide a military presence in the sparsely populated areas of northern Canada.

Meal Cancellations

If you have confirmed your attendance and have to cancel, you can adjust your attendance at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054EABAF2FA7FCC70-60115578-lieutenant#/> until November 16th. If you must cancel after the cut-off, please email cdn1906@gmail.com as soon as possible. At the Club's discretion, no-shows may be asked to pay for the cost of their meal.

Memberships

Memberships are encouraged as a measure of support for the Club. Note that for 2025, membership fees have been suspended. This is a great opportunity to reach out, bring a friend, and share the patriotic vision of the CCE! Thank you to all those who have joined recently or already renewed.

Topics and Speakers

If there are any topics or speakers you are interested in hearing from, please send your ideas and suggestions to cdn1906@gmail.com.

If you wish to have your name removed from our mailing list, or if you wish to update or add your email address, please advise the Club by email at cdn1906@gmail.com