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Kamloops Legion Branch to Honor Snowbird Capt. Jenn Casey with Tribute

Kamloops, BC– On Thursday, May 21 at 11:00am, the Kamloops Royal Canadian Legion Branch #52 will be hosting a tribute to honor Capt. Jenn Casey after the crash in Kamloops on Sunday, May 17, 2020.

“On behalf of the Legion branches in BC/Yukon Command, I would like to express our heartfelt condolences at the loss of Capt. Jenn Casey of the RCAF Snowbirds. The incredible feats of Canadian Armed Forces members like Capt. Jenn Casey are a source joy and inspiration to every Legion member. Our deepest sympathies go out to our military community. Capt. Casey will be honored and remembered.” says Val MacGregor, President of the BC/Yukon Command of the Legion.

“We would also like to acknowledge the service of Capt. MacDougall who was injured in the accident. and we wish him a speedy recovery.” says Val MacGregor, President of the BC/Yukon Command of the Legion.

Tribute Event Information

Date/Time: Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 11am

Location: Kamloops Airport – Round-a-bout

Info: Tribute will include 2-3 guest speakers, pipers, trumpeter

Confirmed attendance: Todd Stone, MLA and Peter Milobar, MLA, Dr. Wendy Mckenzie, 886 Wing RCAF Association, Daniel Martin, President of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #52

Invited: Cathy MacLeod, MP Kamloops-Thompson, Members of the Snowbirds, Representation from Rocky Mountain Rangers

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Backgrounder

To learn more about the BC/Yukon Command of the Royal Canadian Legion, visit www.legionbcyukon.ca

Fast facts about the Royal Canadian Legion:

- The Legion is a fundraiser for veteran and senior affordable and assisted living housing in BC.
 - Over 4,500 units in 70 facilities
- The Legion Poppy Campaign raises around \$2,500,000 per year for services and support in BC
 - Grants for Veterans and their families in need
 - Veteran transition programs
 - Comforts for Veterans and their spouses who are hospitalized and in need
 - Support to Cadet units
 - A network of Branch and Command Service Officers across the province
 - Donations for disaster relief
 - Promotion and administration of Remembrance activities
- The BC/Yukon Legion Foundation gives more than \$500,000 a year to support veterans and strengthen communities
 - Research and treatment of trauma and PTSD
 - Cockrell House provides shelter, food and support services to Veterans who are homeless or under-housed
 - The Veterans Transition Network provides group-based counselling and transition programs to help military members to overcome barriers to their transition to civilian life
 - Medical and other equipment for seniors' care
 - Veteran programs like the Vancouver Island Compassion Dogs
- The branches in BC/Yukon Command raise \$1.2 Million/year through gaming which is re-invested in community programs
- The Legion holds contests for youth with cash prizes
 - Poster and Literary
 - Video

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