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**THE ACCEPTANCE OF
H.M.C.S. KOOTENAY**

at

**CANADIAN FORCES BASE HALIFAX
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA**



REAR ADMIRAL R.W. TIMBRELL, DSC, CD
Commander, Maritime Command

It is with keen interest that I welcome KOOTENAY back into the fleet. This ship, with her sophisticated anti submarine package, is a significant addition to the Atlantic flotilla.

The Manager, Ship Repair Unit Atlantic, and his staff of military and civilian tradesmen and technicians have done a job of which they can be justly proud. It is for the ship to justify their labours in her day to day operations.

To Commander Creech and his ship's company I extend my best wishes for a successful commission.



COMMODORE E.S. BAKER, CD
Commander, Technical Services Atlantic

The large number of manhours required by skilled trades in carrying out the extensive electronic, electrical, engineering and construction modifications was indeed a challenge to an already overburdened ship repair facility. By close co-operation between this facility and the ship a fine vessel has been produced for handover to the Commander, Maritime Command.

I am most proud of the work of the Ship Repair Facility and am confident that their product will serve long and well.



CAPTAIN(N) T.W. MAXWELL, CD
Commander, Ship Repair Unit Atlantic

We of the Ship Repair Unit have been privileged to have done the setting to work programme for KOOTENAY. It has been a most rewarding task and one which all of us have enjoyed doing. We wish the ship and her officers and men well and assure her of our continued support.

The First HMCS KOOTENAY, Ex H.M.S. DECOY

HMCS KOOTENAY, DDE 258, is the second ship of the same name commissioned into the Canadian Navy. The first KOOTENAY was the former H.M.S. DECOY, built in 1933 and commissioned into the RCN in 1943. She saw extensive service in the Second World War, was involved in sinking 3 U-Boats, and participated in the invasion of Normandy. She was paid off in January of 1946 and subsequently scrapped.

To the present KOOTENAY she left the Battle Honours:

"ATLANTIC	1943-1945"
"NORMANDY	1944"
"ENGLISH CHANNEL	1944"
"BISCAY	1944"

Commanding Officers:

Acting Lieutenant Commander K.L. Dyer, DSC, CD, RCN
12 April, 1943 – 28 March, 1944

Acting Lieutenant Commander W.H. Willson, DSC, CD, RCN
29 March, 1944 – 26 October, 1945

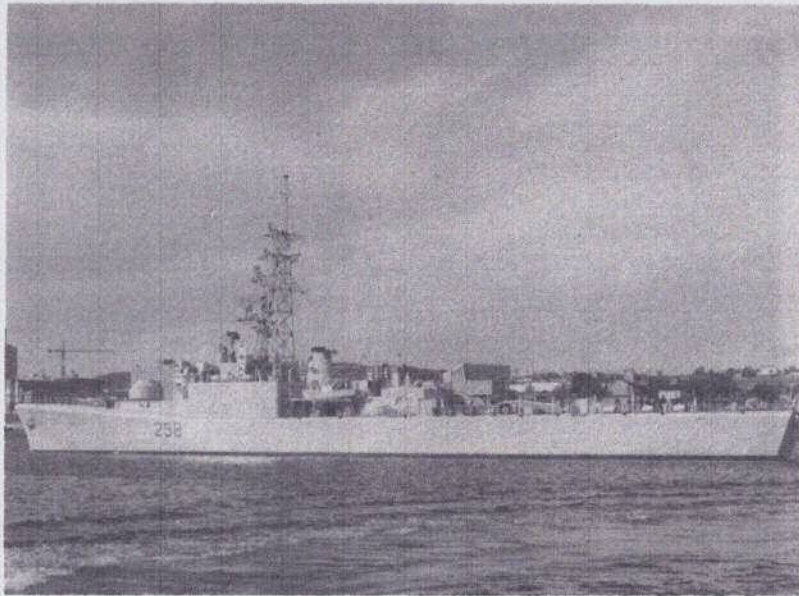


HMCS KOOTENAY – Before Conversion

HMCS KOOTENAY takes her name from the Kootenay River in British Columbia. The exact meaning of the word is not known except that it is an Indian word and the name of the tribe that inhabits that part of the province.

When the white man first met the Kootenays, they spoke a distinctive language of their own, unlike any of the plateau Indians but akin to the plains Indians.

One of the distinctive articles produced by this tribe was their unusual canoe. It was made of birch or pine bark and had its bow and stern protruding under water similar to the corvus, or ram, used by European warships of the 19th century. The Kootenays were a warlike people prior to settling in the Creston Valley. They are now an industrious and successful tribe and an important part of the British Columbia economic community.



HMCS KOOTENAY – Improved RESTIGOUCHE Class

KOOTENAY was built by Burrard Dry Dock Company in Vancouver and commissioned in 1959. She was transferred to the Atlantic Command the same year and saw service in the First, Third and Fifth Destroyer Squadrons until paid off to conversion in May, 1970. She re-commissioned 7 January, 1972 and was accepted back into the Atlantic Fleet in September, 1972.

Former Commanding Officers:

Commander R. Pickford	7 Mar 1959-10 Jul 1960
Commander H. Shorten	11 Jul 1960-18 Sep 1962
Commander D.H. Ryan	19 Sep 1962-14 Jan 1965
Commander C.G. Pratt	15 Jan 1965-31 May 1966
Commander W. Rikely	1 Jun 1966-30 Jun 1967
Commander G.C. McMoris	1 Jul 1967-20 Mar 1969
Commander N. St. Norton	21 Mar 1969-10 Jan 1970
Commander M. Tremblay	11 Jan 1970- 1 May 1970



THE SHIP'S BADGE

BLAZON:

Argent, three cottises in bend wavy Azure, over all a crescent Sable debruised by an Indian fish spear Gules, bound around the hilt with thongs Argent.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Kootenay Indians, from whom the river derives its name, were known to have depended for food upon fish caught in the rivers and streams and on the buffalo found to the east of the Rocky Mountains. The three blue wavy stripes signify the river, the horns resemble those of the bison and the spear is identical to that used by the Indians. Although perhaps not heraldically significant, the horns and spear are weapons of both attack and defence – appropriate for a warship.

COLORS:

The ship's colors are red and white.

MOTTO:

The ship's motto is "We Are As One."



COMMANDER J.L. CREECH, CD
Commanding Officer

Commander Creech joined the RCN in 1947 via Royal Roads, from Nelson, B.C., the principal city on the Kootenay River. He was trained as a Midshipman and Sub-Lieutenant in HMS VAN-GUARD and in the Battle Class Destroyer, HMS SLUYS. He served in HMCS ATHABASKAN in Korea and, after specializing in communications, in HMCS ST. LAURENT. While still a Lieutenant he was Executive Officer of HMCS QUINTE and as a Lieutenant-Commander, Executive Officer of SKEENA and MACKENZIE. Shore postings included service on the staffs of the Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, Commander Maritime Command, Naval Headquarters and Flag Officer Pacific Coast. He was promoted to the rank of Commander in 1969 while on exchange duty with the Commander, Anti-Submarine Warfare Force Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbour. Immediately prior to taking command, Commander Creech was Deputy Chief of Staff, Communications, on the staff of the Commander, Maritime Command.

ACCEPTANCE PROGRAM

- 1345: Guests seated.
- 1355: KOOTENAY Ship's Company reported to Commanding Officer by Executive Officer.
- 1400: Rear-Admiral Christie, Rear-Admiral Timbrell arrive. Admiral Timbrell inspects Guard of Honour.
- 1405: Rear-Admiral Christie presents KOOTENAY to Rear-Admiral Timbrell.
- 1410: Rear-Admiral Timbrell accepts KOOTENAY.
- 1415: Captain Maxwell presents Ship's Book and addresses Ship's Company.
- 1425: Ship's Company man HMCS KOOTENAY.
- 1430: Commanding Officer goes onboard and receives official guests.
- 1445: Reception onboard.



Lieutenant-Commander J. Harwood
Executive Officer



Chief Petty Officer P.E. Boyle
Coxswain

MEN

OFFICERS

Commander J.L. Creech	Commanding Officer
Lieutenant-Commander J. Harwood	Executive Officer
Lieutenant-Commander M.L. Crofton	Deck Officer
Lieutenant V.U. Auns	Combat Control Officer (Weapons)
Lieutenant A.R. Cole	Combat Control Officer (Operations)
Lieutenant G.M. McKearney	Logistics Officer
Lieutenant D.R. Bicknell	Combat Systems Engineer
Lieutenant J.W. Adderson	Marine Systems Engineer
Lieutenant K.A. Olsen	Navigating Officer
Lieutenant B.O. Coates	A/Combat Control Officer (Weapons)
Lieutenant G.G. Jeffery	Security Officer
Sub-Lieutenant J.A. Vanstone	Communication Officer
Sub-Lieutenant W.J. Lehto	A/Combat Control Officer (Operations)
Sub-Lieutenant L.C. Webber	A/Combat Control Officer (Weapons)

DECK DEPARTMENT

Boatswains

Chief Petty Officer J.E. Parsons
Petty Officer J.S. Brenton
Petty Officer E.P. Kenny
Leading Seaman R.A. Brooks
Leading Seaman D.E. Comeau
Leading Seaman T.D. Jordan
Leading Seaman B.D. Marshall
Able Seaman T.A. Badeau
Able Seaman J.L.M. Crete
Able Seaman J.R.A. Dumas
Able Seaman J.L.L.F. Gauthier
Able Seaman D.B. Grieve
Able Seaman J.P. Legendre
Able Seaman G.E. Newton
Able Seaman R.L. Robertson
Able Seaman D.R. Somers
Able Seaman A.V. Wirth

WEAPONS DEPARTMENT

Sonarmen

Chief Petty Officer S.C. Raven
Petty Officer C.K. Millard
Petty Officer G.L. Adams
Petty Officer J.W. Fenerty
Petty Officer D.L. Mulock
Master Seaman E.J. Kirk
Master Seaman E.K. McLarty
Master Seaman D.E. Reynolds
Leading Seaman A.R. Gelinas
Leading Seaman W.T. Hineson
Leading Seaman M.E. Ivey
Leading Seaman Scrutton
Able Seaman J.M. Allison
Able Seaman E.M. Cronk
Able Seaman J.J.J. Grosleau
Able Seaman R.N. Haire
Able Seaman J.P.R. Lahaie
Able Seaman R.D. Squarebriggs

Weapons Underwater

Petty Officer K.A. Grandmaison
Petty Officer R.B. Stephenson
Petty Officer C.E. Montgomery
Master Seaman R.A. Donovan
Leading Seaman C.F. Alguire
Leading Seaman R.F. Booth
Leading Seaman D.S. Hynes
Leading Seaman T.D. Johnson
Leading Seaman J.S. McCoy
Leading Seaman J.P. McKay
Leading Seaman P.Z. Wong
Leading Seaman G.P. Young
Able Seaman B.C. Fillmore
Able Seaman R.G. Peterson
Able Seaman J.T. Wilkins
Ordinary Seaman W.T. Barlow
Ordinary Seaman M.H. Brackett
Ordinary Seaman C.D. Tulk

Firecontrolmen

Chief Petty Officer R.J. Marks
Petty Officer I.D. Corkum
Master Seaman B.I. Ball
Master Seaman J.H. Reath
Leading Seaman S.L. Bale
Leading Seaman R.W. Hayward
Leading Seaman D.M. Lang
Leading Seaman A.N. Scott
Able Seaman L.M. Adams
Able Seaman J.A.H.P. Lanois
Able Seaman R.I. Oldham
Able Seaman W.G. Reid
Able Seaman J.A.J. Wharton

Weapons Surface

Petty Officer E.P. Wood
Petty Officer D.W. McDougall
Leading Seaman S.A. Arsenault
Leading Seaman R.W. Davis
Leading Seaman F.P. Gobeille
Leading Seaman E.R. Levesque
Leading Seaman F.W. Osborne
Able Seaman G.R. Forget
Able Seaman H.A.L. McLean
Able Seaman E.L. Moore

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

Storesmen

Chief Petty Officer R.A. Taggart
Petty Officer D.R. Hutt
Petty Officer A.W. Nieforth
Master Seaman J.T. Boutilier
Leading Seaman G.F. Walsh
Able Seaman D.J. Arsenault
Able Seaman D.A. Dezan
Able Seaman I.R. Hyde
Able Seaman J.R.D. Martineau

Commissary and Food Services

Chief Petty Officer N.J. Baker
Petty Officer J.G.J.F. Lariviere
Petty Officer J.H. Pearce
Master Seaman J.J. Purcell
Corporal K.D. Appleby
Leading Seaman D.P. Brake
Corporal W.B. Chase
Leading Seaman D.P. Coleman
Leading Seaman J.S. Connolly
Leading Seaman M.J. Ferris
Leading Seaman G.W. Kinkaid
Leading Seaman R.L. Martin
Leading Seaman F.T. Ross
Leading Seaman D.M. Sorette
Leading Seaman P.C. Stockley
Able Seaman E.M. Doyle
Able Seaman R.J. Lamarche

Finance and Administration

Petty Officer R.A. Freeman
Petty Officer R.R. Vallillee
Leading Seaman J.A. Deschenes
Able Seaman W.E. Brooks
Able Seaman R.L. Willey

Medical

Petty Officer J.A. Rait

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

Radarmen

Chief Petty Officer J.D. Mann
Chief Petty Officer V.S. Rycroft
Petty Officer D.E. Wood
Petty Officer R.N. Fiset
Master Seaman W.A. Layland
Leading Seaman B.C. Duvall
Leading Seaman M.W.K. Hahn
Leading Seaman D.G. Holmes
Leading Seaman W.B. Hoskins
Leading Seaman A.G. Lagace
Leading Seaman G. Nelson
Leading Seaman R.H. Wood
Able Seaman B.W. Ball
Able Seaman C. Belanger
Able Seaman J.R.E. Boyer
Able Seaman C.L. Fowler
Able Seaman J.J. Howell
Able Seaman J.P.P.M. Legault
Able Seaman A. MacDonald
Able Seaman E.W. McGrath
Able Seaman D.M. McLaughlin
Able Seaman H.E. Oare
Able Seaman J.F.G.G. Ouimet
Able Seaman B. Schlup
Ordinary Seaman J.G.C. Bouillon
Ordinary Seaman R.W. Brosko
Ordinary Seaman L.L. Mahaney

Radiomen

Petty Officer J.A. Couturier
Petty Officer W.G. Martel
Petty Officer W.D. Hemphill
Petty Officer M.E. Yeazel
Master Seaman J.M. Lloyd
Leading Seaman D. Dyke
Leading Seaman R.W. Fleetham
Leading Seaman H.B. Fox
Leading Seaman B.D. Jackson
Leading Seaman R.G. MacDonald
Able Seaman J.L.Y. Barry
Able Seaman J.Y. Bosse
Able Seaman M.T.J. Boyd
Able Seaman J.C.M. Gasse
Able Seaman H.E. MacLean
Able Seaman R.I. MacLeod
Able Seaman E.C. McCurdy
Able Seaman J.B. St Marie

Signalmen

Petty Officer D.K. Beaton
Petty Officer R.C. Clarke
Master Seaman D.R. Weir
Master Seaman J.L. Younger
Leading Seaman W.A. Dams
Leading Seaman L.W. King
Leading Seaman C.C. Matchem
Leading Seaman I.M. Sinclair
Able Seaman J.F.R. Carroll

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Marine

Chief Petty Officer D.F. Hewitt
Chief Petty Officer R.G. Blackhurst
Chief Petty Officer W.O. Joudrey
Chief Petty Officer E.D. Pirie
Petty Officer E.D. Brownell
Petty Officer W.B. Skeffington
Petty Officer H.J. Wilkinson
Petty Officer G.F. Fay
Petty Officer E.W. Instant
Petty Officer D.F. Kent
Petty Officer R.G. McPherson
Master Seaman S.A. Clattenburg
Master Seaman R.C. Pope
Leading Seaman C.H. Andrus
Leading Seaman B.F. Carlsen
Leading Seaman A.L. Carroll
Leading Seaman R.W. Dupuis
Leading Seaman M.G. Grace
Leading Seaman B.J. Hache
Leading Seaman B.J. Hooper
Leading Seaman C.D. Killam
Leading Seaman M.G. Lacroix
Leading Seaman J.H. Lavoie
Leading Seaman G.C. Long
Leading Seaman G.L. Lynch
Leading Seaman C.H. Nickerson
Leading Seaman R.J. Renault
Leading Seaman R.D. Steeves
Leading Seaman F.K. Stokes
Leading Seaman K.V. Whalen

Able Seaman J.R. Breen ✓
Able Seaman P. Casey
Able Seaman R.A. Coulson
Able Seaman F.E. Doyle
Able Seaman W.R. Foote
Able Seaman R.G. Gover
Able Seaman L.E. Jost
Able Seaman J.C. Pelchat
Able Seaman D.W. Poole
Able Seaman A.D. Steeves
Able Seaman J.A.W. Zaib
Ordinary Seaman J.A.B. Coulombe
Ordinary Seaman J.J.M.D. Perreault
Ordinary Seaman J.T.M. Trempe

Electrical

Petty Officer G.P. Dunn
Petty Officer P.H. Daley
Petty Officer K.A. Tay
Leading Seaman G.D. Carruthers
Leading Seaman S.C. Croucher
Leading Seaman C.A. Kehoe
Leading Seaman J.D. MacIntosh
Leading Seaman T.J. Senay

Hull

Petty Officer L.C. Ormsbee
Master Seaman P.A. Traynor
Leading Seaman E.F. Desjardins
Leading Seaman T.J. MacDonald
Able Seaman J.R.Y. Campagna
Able Seaman J.E.D.S. Racette