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HMC SHIPS KINGSTON AND GLACE BAY TO VISIT OSHAWA

HALIFAX – HMC Ships KINGSTON and GLACE BAY, both Kingston Class coastal defence vessels, will visit Oshawa, ON arriving at Oshawa Harbour, June $25^{th.}$ While in port, the ships will be open to the public June 26^{th} and 27^{th} from 1-4 p.m. July $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$ from 1-4 p.m. This visit offers an excellent opportunity for the residents and visitors to Oshawa to visit two of Canada's naval ships.

HMC Ships KINGSTON and GLACE BAY will sail this summer through the St. Lawrence Seaway and Lake Ontario in order to support naval officer and engineer systems operator training. From July 5 to 8, HMC Ships KINGSTON and GLACE BAY, with the support of TRINITY Route Survey Office, and Fleet Diving Unit (Atlantic) will conduct a three day side scan sonar and remotely operated vehicle search for eight titanium AVRO Arrow models launched into Lake Ontario forty years ago.

HMCS KINGSTON, under the command of Lt.-Cmdr. Marta Mulkins, and HMCS GLACE BAY, under the command of Lt.-Cmdr Andre Boisjoli each have a crew of 44 men and women, most of whom are members of the Naval Reserves based in units from across Canada. The vessels are 55 metres long, 11 meters wide and are equipped with a 40-mm gun and two 50-calibre machine guns.

Supplying trained crews for the Navy's 12 Kingston Class ships is one of the primary roles for the 4,000 men and women in the Naval Reserves. These multi-role ships can be fitted with inter-changeable modules for tasks ranging from detecting mines to surveillance in support of law-enforcement agencies ranging from the RCMP to Fisheries and Oceans or Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA).

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