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# MEMORIAL STALKER 822 GOLF TOURNAMENT

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## About our chosen charity

My name is Helen Hines,

This event not only helps raise funds for Soldier On, but it is also a way to raise about the ways Solider On supports CAF members. Last year was the inaugural golf tournament and we were overwhelmed by the support shown from not only our participants and sponsors but also through the many volunteers and organizations who donated prizes and giveaways. The SOLD OUT event raised an incredible \$13,000 for Soldier On in the names of the families.

**This event wouldn't be possible without the support of local companies who provide valuable products and services so that we can support our attendees and participants.**

Would you be willing to get on-board this year as a hole prize sponsor? Maybe you have swag or other merchandise you'd like to donate for giveaway draws? or, maybe you would like to help out by volunteering the day of the event?

Get onboard and show your proud Nova Scotia support for those who gave their all in the line of duty while also continuing the assist CAF members and veterans live better lives through Soldier On. If you wish to support us, I would be happy to provide you with more information, feel free to contact me at and we can start our conversation.

Sincerely,

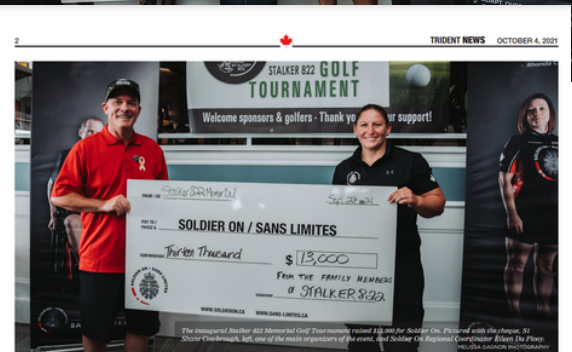
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## A time to remember

*Inaugural Stalker 822 Tournament held at Hartlen Point Golf Course*

By Joanie Veitch,

As the sun peeked over the horizon, a steady stream of people arrived at the Shewanear Aeriation Park on August 27. By 10:00 a.m. on September 27, all there to support and take part in the inaugural Staircase to the Stars tournament.

The event was organized by members of the Canadian Veterans Corps Nova Scotia, along with friends and family of the late Sgt. John Shewanear. He died in the tragic helicopter crash off the coast of Nova Scotia in 1982 while on deployment with HMCS *Providence*.

Since the unveiling of the memorial at the Shewanear Aeriation Park on August 27, the event has become a necessary — the tournament marked the first time people could gather in larger numbers to remember and honor the crew members, along with military members from the area and others, it has become a memorial event to honor and reminisce and pay tribute.

It wasn't enough just to have the Shewanear Aeriation Park, it was important to have something that would leave more of a happier memory... something we could all be proud of, and share and something we could all be together, said St. Shewanear Foundation, father to the event, and the main organizer of the event.

M.J. Conroy was one of the six organizers of the event.

helicopter - Stallion 823. Other members who lost their lives include: Master Pilot Capt. James H. "Bud" Smith, Capt. James MacDonald, Capt. Maxine H. Brown-Morris and S/L Matthew Pyke.

S/L Pyke's fiancée Helen Hines drove to the memorial service as a volunteer at the registration table.

David Pyke, came in from Brookfield, and said that his father, the Memorial Cross he received after his death.

Catching up with one another and greeting others just arriving, both said they were feeling a better mood.

With the onset of COVID, we haven't been able to get together. We haven't even had Matt's funeral yet. It's been a long time, but he's been in the hospital together," said Hines, smiling up at her fiancé as a father.

Pyke said that he was going to be a volunteer for the weekend. S/L Crewbrough spoke to the participants as they arrived and said that he was in the parking lot. He informed them that inside the clubhouse a video of the crew members was shown. One of the crew members - courtesy of the crew members - and that the fifth badge had been set up as a memorial site with flowers.

Pyke said that he had a great night on the ship.



SLI Matthew Pyke's fiancée Helen Hines as David Pyke attended the inaugural SLI Golf Tournament.

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While not playing in the tournament, David Pyke said he planned to walk about and visit the memorial at Shearwater later in the day for "some quiet time" on a busy day.

The event sold out quickly, with all proceeds going to Soldier On, a program of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), which supports the recovery

and rehabilitation of military members and veterans struggling with physical and mental injuries through sport and recreational activities.

We chose to do this because every dollar that they receive in disability gets to the actual veterans themselves," said Ed Greenough. "As a member of the UN NATO vets, I know there are a lot of members who have already used their services, so I knew the organization we were going to be involved with in one that is close to us and is close to our veterans."

Elaine De Florey, regional coordinator (OSS-ND) for Soldiers on the Ground, said she was very grateful for the generosity and support

**of the program.**

"Soldier On's motto is to adapt, overcome and soldier on," De Florey said. "What transpired at this event, coming together and healing through sport, is the driving force behind our program."