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**Commander of the Canadian Army
and Ottawa Mayor to Host Special Red Rally
12 deserving members of the Army Team to be recognized**

OTTAWA (September 14) – The Commander of the Canadian Army, Lieutenant-General Peter Devlin, and [Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson](#) will officially kick off Canada Army Run Weekend Friday, September 16th at 2:00 p.m. in Marion Dewar Plaza at Ottawa City Hall.

As part of this event, 12 deserving members of the Army Team from across the country will be recognized for their work in support of the Army's missions at home and abroad.

To be recognized are the following:

- Sgt Stephanie Abdon, Petawawa
- MCpl Fred Trainor, Gagetown, New Brunswick
- Cpl Paul Ballah, Petawawa
- Madame Marie-Claude Bergeron, Valcartier
- Pte Tammie Cleary, Gagetown, New Brunswick
- Canadian Ranger Tom Cook, Vancouver Island
- Cpl Julie Farmer, Ottawa
- Cpl Amélie Gagnon, Valcartier
- MCpl James Hamilton, Edmonton, Alberta
- Gunner Matthew Keenan, Gagetown, New Brunswick
- MCpl Ben Miller, Prince Edward Island
- Sgt Scott Simpson, Edmonton, Alberta

“These individuals are representative of the thousands of men and women who work so hard, every day, to make a difference in the lives of Canadians and others around the world,” said LGen Devlin.

Also featured as part of the Red Rally will be [The Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa Pipes and Drums](#).

Fundraising efforts at Canada Army Run benefit [Soldier On](#) and the [Military Families Fund](#), initiatives that provide direct assistance to ill or injured soldiers and military families.

Canada Army Run will take place Sunday, September 18 in Ottawa.



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Useful links and facts:

- Canada Army Run has [sold out](#) for this year.
- Photos from last year's run are posted [here](#). Other photos are available by contacting media@armyrun.ca.
- Canada Army Run is the second largest running event in Ottawa, after [Ottawa Race Weekend](#).
- Organizers of the run are [Run Ottawa](#), the same team that organizes Ottawa Race Weekend.
- Media credentials will be required to gain access to certain areas on September 18 and to the press room. Details are [here](#).
- Follow Canada Army Run on [Facebook](#).
- Follow Canada Army Run on [Twitter](#).
- Follow the KAF Canada Army Run on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

About Canada Army Run

[Canada Army Run](#) is a unique running event in which Canadians run, walk, or roll side-by-side with members of the Canadian Forces in half marathon and 5K events. Launched in 2008 with 7,000 runners (a Canadian record for the largest number of entrants for an inaugural run), this event is expected to grow to become a North American destination run. Fundraising efforts benefit Soldier On and the Military Families Fund. The 2011 Canada Army Run is scheduled for Sunday, September 18.

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