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WEAPONS TECHNICIAN'S INNOVATION

Borden, Ontario – Master Corporal Jean-Francois Gagné from Trois-Rivières, Quebec, recently received the Warrant Officer Muise Memorial Trophy for his exceptional volunteerism and contributions to the Canadian Forces Base Borden community during the Royal Canadian Electrical Mechanical Engineers (RCEME) School Honours and Awards Parade in June of 2018.

MCpl Gagné is a superb technician. He recently identified a deficiency in a tool used to test the 25 mm cannon of the Light Armoured Vehicle 6.0 (LAV 6.0) fleet, whereby the tool would fail prematurely due to wear. Although the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) was aware of this issue and was working on a possible fix, MCpl Gagné took the initiative and developed his own tool that was able to perform the same task while being more robust and reliable. The tool was submitted to the Life Cycle Material Manager (LCMM) and was approved for use and will be distributed to LAV 6.0 toolboxes throughout the country.

During his free time, MCpl Gagné volunteers with the 13th St-Joseph Borden Scout Troop and the Flakpanzer Wirbelwind restoration project at the Base Borden Military Museum.

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