

BIOGRAPHY: CWO Trent Doucette, MMM, CD.



CWO Doucette joined the military on Sep 3rd, 1983 as an Artilleryman under the Youth Training Employment Program (YTEP). He was posted to Shilo, Manitoba where he received his basic training and TQ3 trade qualification. Upon graduation, he was posted to G Bty 3RCHA (Royal Canadian Horse Artillery) in Shilo Manitoba, where he was employed as a Gunner on the M109 155 mm howitzer. In Jul 1985, he was posted to the newly established Z Bty, 1RCHA in Lahr, West Germany and stayed there for 5 years doing various jobs. In Jul 1990, then MBdr Doucette was posted HQ Bty 2RCHA and, in 1991, E Bty Para 2RCHA, Petawawa where he earned his British and American jump wings and was promoted to Sgt in Jul 91.

In Sep 1993, his occupational transfer to Refrigeration and Mechanical Technician (RM Tech) was approved and attended training at the Canadian Forces School of Military Engineering (CFSME) in Chilliwack, BC in Jan 1994 for his RM Tech TQ 3 trg. After training, CWO Doucette was posted to Wing Construction Engineering at 4 Wg Cold Lake for 6 years, and then to the CFSME, now in Gaagetown, NB, as an RM Tech instructor for 4 years. He was subsequently posted to Engineer Services Company in CFB Edmonton Alberta in 2004 as a Contracts Inspector and Contracts Officer for 3 years.

In July 2007, he was posted to 8 Wg Trenton as the AAS Superintendant at 86 ASU and in 2008, he took on the positions of 86 ASU Flt MWO and 8 Mission Support Squadron (MSS) Engineering MWO/Camp Sgt-Maj. In Jul 2009, he was given the position of WCE Operations Superintendant at 8 WCE. It was as the 8 MSS Camp Sgt-Maj that he had the opportunity to be part of the 18 person advance team that landed in Jacmel, Haiti on 19 Jan, shortly after the devastating earthquake of 12 Jan 2010. The team quickly assumed control of the airfield and cleared out some obstacles which allowed the 8 Wg Trenton CC-130 Hercules to land and deliver DART equipment. After returning to Trenton, 8MSS was re-deployed to Camp Mirage in UAE, during which the government announced the closure, and the base was packed up and shut down in three weeks. The 8MSS Construction Engineers, among others, were pulled forward into KAF to be part of the Engineer Support Squadron until 19 Jan 2011. It was through this series of

sometimes unfortunate events that CWO Doucette had the greatest experience of his career and had the occasion to work with some of the finest soldiers in the Canadian Forces at all rank levels.

After returning from operations , CWO Doucette attended the year long French course at 8 Wg Trenton before being posted back to 4 Wg Cold Lake as the WCE Production Superintendent. In June 2013, he was promoted to CWO and appointed as the 4 Wg Administration Branch CWO.

CWO Doucette has served or been deployed to:

- a) Lahr Germany 85-90;
- b) Cyprus- Feb-Jun 93;
- c) Alert-Jun-Dec 98;
- d) Aviano Italy- Apr-Jun 99;
- e) Kabul Afghanistan- Feb-Aug 05;
- f) Jacmel Haiti- Jan-Mar 10;
- g) Camp Mirage UAE-Jun-Nov 10; and
- h) Kandahar Airfield Afghanistan- Nov 10-Jan 11.

CWO Doucette has received a CDS and CEFCOM Command Commendation and was inducted into the Order of Military Merit as a Member in June 2012.

CWO Doucette met his wife, Kim Doucette (Wright), while deployed in Germany in 1989. They got married in 1993, in Petawawa, and today, Kim is posted to the 4 Wg All Ranks Kitchen as the I/C Kitchen. Their two boys, Cody and Colton are employed in the oilfield in the Cold Lake area.

CWO Doucette plans on staying in Cold Lake and will be working for Pason Systems upon retirement.

