

# SIGN UP FOR BISON-ON-LINE

If you are interested in communicating with other members of the RCMP from all across Canada, in an all ranks open forum (includes, RM's, CM's and Auxiliary members), then **BISON-ON-LINE** is for you. *Have you ever wished the "Quarterly" was more up to date? Want to discuss issues with members in other parts of the country?* All you need is access to an **Internet connection** for your personal computer (it is independent of operating system, works with DOS, Windows, MAC, OS/2, etc.).

## What is **BISON-ON-LINE**?

Resulting from requests from members on the Internet, **BISON-ON-LINE** is an RCMP members only accessible Internet World Wide Web site, where membership is verified via password, and various "features" are offered for members to promote Det. or Division events, discuss concerns relating to police work, or specific to being a member of the Force. To date the "features" include:

- 1) **A Guest Registry** - sign in and let other members know you have logged onto **BISON-ON-LINE**. This also makes accessible your E-mail address for others to write you direct.
- 2) **Division News Message Board** - each division has a space allocated where members can add their own "news items" to the message board for all to read. Announce the success of your recently held charity drive, promote an upcoming social event, promote training that might interest others. You make the news!
- 3) **Lost & Found** - looking for a long, lost troop-mate? Looking for someone you worked with years ago, but has since left the division? Post a message to the **Lost & Found**. Someone, somewhere in the Force will know who or where your "lost" person is.
- 4) **FOR SALE Message Board** - want to sell that .44 magnum now that you bought a modem? (or maybe you want to buy a .44 magnum because of the modem?). Want to sell specialty collector items? Post an ad, respond to others ad's.
- 5) **Announcements Message Board** - Announce your marriage, birth of your children, (before they are a year old!, or before your 1st anniversary!). Let everyone know you recently convocated from university, etc.
- 6) **OPEN FORUM** - you pick the topics and engage in discussion with whoever participates, online! Want to discuss pay raises? Promotion system? Firearms? Transfers? *Open Forum* means just that!
- 7) **Free-for-All-Links Page** - add your favourite Internet WWW sites for the benefit of others, so they can visit also.

- Advise me of the passing of current or ex-members and I'll post an obituary page.
- Want to publish an article you wrote? Send it to me (via E-mail if possible) and I'll publish it on **BISON-ON-LINE**.
- If you want "specialty" interest groups formed, that's possible to!
- You come up with the ideas of what you would like to see implemented, and we'll see what we can do.

## Who is **BISON-ON-LINE**?

This is a personal undertaking of Cst. Rick McIntyre of "F" Division. I am currently posted to DCAS/CISS (they are amalgamated) in Regina. My Internet experience to date has been to put the RCMP Centennial Museum on the 'Net, and create personal home pages and commercial home pages.

## Does it **COST**?

**YEP!** I have spent money to lease web server space, and hours of connect time to prepare this project, and it will incur many hours of Internet connect time to maintain. Also the more people who participate, the more it costs me for web space.

## **HOW MUCH?**

One year subscriptions (having access to **BISON-ON-LINE** via password) are **\$10.00 (ten dollars) per year**.

## **HOW DO I SUBSCRIBE?**

Send a photocopy of your ID card, with a memo on letterhead signed by NCO I/c or OIC verifying you are a member, and ten bucks. I need your E-mail address and regimental number, regimental number will be your user ID, and a random password will be assigned and mailed to you along with the address of **BISON-ON-LINE**. This is a forum for members only, that's why the security. (PIRS E-mail will work in lieu of above, OR fax the info to my home, OR scan the documents and E-mail to me mailing the funds separately.)

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