

BIOGRAPHY

**Don W. McLeod, CD
National President
Air Force Association of Canada**

Don McLeod was elected National President of the Air Force Association of Canada effective 12 October 2003.

Born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Don McLeod joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in February 1963. On completion of basic training, he worked on a variety of aircraft at Trenton, Ontario and Baden-Soellingen, West Germany. Selected for officer training, from 1975 to 1977 he attended Royal Roads Military College. After graduating in 1979 from the Royal Military College of Canada with a Bachelor of Arts in Honours History. He served as a supply officer within the Logistics classification.

Following a two-year tour of duty at Canadian Forces Base Trenton, Ontario he was posted to Canadian Forces Base Cold Lake, Alberta where he served as a team member on the introduction of the CF-18 *Hornet* aircraft to the Canadian Forces. In 1983 he was posted to Air Command Headquarters, Winnipeg, Manitoba. In 1986 he was promoted to the rank of major and assigned as Base Supply Officer at Canadian Forces Base Greenwood, Nova Scotia.

He left the Regular Force in 1988 to take employment as Program Manager for the CP-140 *Aurora* aircraft at Litton Systems (Canada) Ltd in Halifax, Nova Scotia. At that time he transferred to the Primary Reserve and served as the Officer Commanding Supply Company, 33 (Halifax) Service Battalion. Upon transfer to the Air Reserve in 1990, he was appointed Senior Staff Officer Air Reserve at Maritime Air Group Headquarters in Halifax and promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. In January 1997 he was promoted to the rank of colonel and assumed the duties of Deputy Chief of Staff Reserves and Cadets at Air Command Headquarters, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Mr. McLeod retired from the Canadian Forces in November 1998. He is currently employed as the Atlantic Canada Liaison Officer for the Royal Military College of Canada.

Over the past decade, Mr. McLeod has held several progressively senior executive positions within the Air Force Association of Canada, culminating in his election as National President, at the Association general meeting and convention in Regina, Saskatchewan in October 2003.

He is married to Ann MacNevin of Freeland, Prince Edward Island. They have four children and reside in Bedford, Nova Scotia.