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STAMP honours the 100th PRESENTATION OF THE MEMORIAL CUP

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Donated in Remembrance of Canadians who made the Supreme Sacrifice for their Country during the First World War, the Cup was rededicated in 2010 to the Memory of all Members of the Canadian Armed Forces who've lost their Lives in the Line of Duty.

"What Others have given us endures through our Acts of Remembrance, such as the Memorial Cup," says The Honourable Carla Qualtrough, the Minister of Public Service and Procurement who is responsible for Canada Post. "Over the Decades, competing for this Cup has shaped the Characters and Lives of Thousands of Young Men."

The Cup is awarded annually to the Canadian Hockey League (CHL) champion, following a Four-Team, Round-Robin Tournament between a Host Team and the Champions of the CHL's Member Leagues: the Western Hockey League, Quebec Major Junior Hockey League and Ontario Hockey League.

Illustrated by Louis Hébert and designed by Paprika of Montréal, the stamp evokes the Canadian flag. It features Two Players from the Regina Pats, which in 1919 competed in the First Memorial Cup against the University of Toronto Schools of the Ontario Hockey Association. The Pats are this Year's Host Team.

The stamp comes in Pennant-Shaped Booklets of 10 and shows a Pats Player from Yesteryear facing off against a Modern-Day player, with an Illustration of the Memorial Cup between them. As a Tribute to the Trophy's Origins, the Official First Day Cover includes a Photo of two Canadian Armed Forces Members accompanying the Cup. The OFDC is cancelled in Regina.

On May 27, 2018, the Memorial Cup will be presented for the 100th Time at the Brandt Centre in Regina, where on May 18, the Host Regina Pats play the Champion Hamilton Bulldogs of the Ontario Hockey League in the First Game of this Year's National Tournament.

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