



THE FRIENDS OF THE HMCS BRANDON COMMITTEE

News Release

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HMCS BRANDON TO VISIT CITY

Brandon – Several members of the crew of the HMCS BRANDON will visit Brandon from June 26 – 29, 2005. The visit is part of the ongoing relationship between the City of Brandon and it's namesake ship in the Canadian Navy.

A public reception will be held at the Riverbank Discovery Centre Monday June 27 from 7pm to 9pm. Everyone is invited to come and meet the ship's Captain, Lieutenant-Commander Rob Thorpe, and the other sailors of the BRANDON.

During their short visit the six crewmembers will be assisting in a Habitat for Humanity building project, as well as meeting with service clubs and other representatives of our community.

The HMCS BRANDON is a Maritime Coastal Defence Vessel (MCDV) harboured in Esquimalt, BC. Canada's fleet of 12 MCDV's (6 per coast) are crewed primarily by reservists. For more information about the BRANDON visit the website http://www.navy.forces.gc.ca/brandon/home/index_e.asp