Origin of the Name "NLCC Vice Admiral Kingsmill" and the Division Names at NLCC Kingsmill

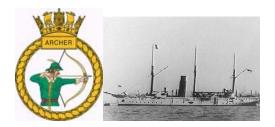
NLCC Kingsmill is named after Sir Charles E. Kingsmill (July 7, 1855 - July 15, 1935) who was the first Director of the Canadian Naval Service (which later became the Royal Canadian Navy). In 1870 he joined the Royal Navy as a midshipman. He was promoted Sub-Lieutenant in 1875, Lieutenant in 1877, Commander in 1891, and Captain in 1898. During his career in the Royal Navy, he commanded HM Ships Goldfinch (1890-91), **Blenheim** (1895), **Archer** (1895-98), **Gibraltar** (1900), Mildura (1900-03), Resolution, Majestic (1905-06), and Dominion (1907). In 1908 he was promoted to Rear-admiral and sent to Canada to command the Marine Service of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. With the formation of the Naval Services of Canada, he became the Director of the Services and held this position throughout World War I until retiring in 1921. He was made Vice-Admiral on 17



Division Names

Archer Division

May 1913 and a full Admiral in 1917



Archer Division is named after **HMS** *Archer*, an *Archer*-class torpedo cruiser of the Royal Navy. *Archer* was laid down in 1885 and came into service on 11 December 1888.

Gibraltar Division



Gibraltar Division is named after **HMS** *Gibraltar*, an *Edgar* class cruiser launched in 1892 for service in the Royal Navy.

Blenheim Division





HMS *Blenheim* was a *Blake* class first class protected cruiser that served in the Royal Navy from 1890–1926. The ship was named after the Battle of Blenheim (1704).

Resolution Division





Resolution Division is named after **HMS** *Resolution*, a *Royal Sovereign*-class predreadnought battleship of the Royal Navy.