



Our lead diver Jan Christensen and his guys have been out twice since my last report and we have found more sections of the Halifax just under the sand. The tail section, with tail wheel oleo and tire, was found near one of the rudders. There was a lot of sand moving and fishnet cutting to get a clear view of the tail section as it has been there 72 years. But once again we are finding the actual metal of this structure, because it is 75% fresh water, to be in good condition! Which means every piece of the Halifax we find will be valuable for a Halifax restoration and display in the future. We must conserve and preserve carefully as we get ready to recover the Halifax sections. More on this later as we get ready for the recovery in the coming weeks.

Jan sent me this great photo he took while uncovering the tail section where he found a portable fire extinguisher of the Halifax buried under the sand near where it was hanging in the Halifax tail section. So he laid it beside the partially covered tailwheel and tire and reached for his camera to take his photo. The crew fire extinguisher still had a water-air charge inside after 72 years as it was not corroded. The bottle decided to become the center of attention and do a hand stand on the sand for Jan. So see here the image as Jan captured it 4 days ago. (see the circular tire and wheel just to the right of the extinguisher as they were digging out the whole assembly).

We have many more videos and images to share with you, in the near future, but for now this is the pic-of-the-day we wanted to pass along. I should report to you that as well as the "Swedish Coast and Sea Center" being our brains and muscles for the Halifax recovery we give thanks also to the Swedish Coast Guard for they are watching our backs and protecting our joint Sweden-Canada history.

When Jan Christensen was NOT diving on the Halifax this week he got a call from the Coast Guard and they reported a suspicious boat at the Halifax location. A Coast Guard aircraft on patrol was directed on to this location and they photographed in high res the name of the boat with divers who were NOT supposed to be there. Then, when the unauthorized boat came back to their port, the Coast Guard were waiting to ask them questions and check out if they had been "poaching". All was OK this time, but THESE are the problems of saving underwater history and THIS is the type of great cooperation we are getting from our Swedish friends to protect it.

I will be headed over to Sweden on Wed. July 27 and will be there from July 28 - Aug. 2 and will be out with our SCSC guys as they dive on the Halifax. I will be able to send you daily reports on all our progress and discoveries as we move away the sands of 72 years to uncover our "aluminium treasure". I hope you will standby for the these UPDATES direct from Sweden and I would like to ask all of you who are supporting us to please pass on, share, and publicize with the world our efforts to save this Halifax bomber.

Always include our Fundrazr campaign site when you mention us to your friends and the world, just tell everybody to do a Google and use this phrase: "fundrazr/417498"

We have had several enquiries and interest from the media and TV to carry our story of saving this Halifax and RCAF history. Some of it has been sincere and helpful but some was just window dressing and without conviction. You know what sells and it is NOT saving the history of our fathers and grandfathers so we can pay them the respect and honour for giving us our Freedom.

Never the mind, Stick with us, Travel with us, as WE LEAVE NO HALIFAX BEHIND. Cheers, Karl Kjarsgaard - Halifax 57 Rescue (Canada)