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At the 19 Wing Comox Honours and Awards ceremony last Tuesday, Flight Lt (Ret'd) Doug Yeo received a certificate of recognition and a commemorative pin for service during the Second World War. The certificate is awarded on behalf of a grateful nation, and as a tribute to selfless acts of service and sacrifice during the Second World War, in defense of Canada and our shared values of freedom, democracy and the rule of law. The certificate is awarded on behalf of The Right Honourable Stephen Harper, Prime Minister of Canada, and The Honourable Julian Faustino, Minister of Veterans Affairs.

Doug Yeo was born in Gravelbourg Saskatchewan in 1924. He grew up in Lumsden Saskatchewan in a family of six brothers and sisters. At the age of 17 Doug volunteered to join the Royal Canadian Air Force. He crossed the Atlantic in 1943 and joined squadron 410 as a navigator in a Mosquito fighter bomber. Squadron 410, known as the Cougars, flew intruder and night fighter missions. In two tours Doug flew over 96 missions, crash landing on two occasions. Doug flew on D Day providing cover for



## Flt Lt (Ret'd) Doug Yeo receives Certificate of Recognition

19 Wing CO Col Tom Dunne presents Flight Lt (Ret'd) Doug Yeo with the Certificate of Recognition and a commemorative pin for service during the Second World War at the Honours and Awards ceremony held at the Officers Mess on March 10. Photo by Cpl Nathan Spence.

paratroopers and after the invasion flew from several airfields in both France and Switzerland. Doug flew until Victory in Europe Day, and then returned to Sas-

katchewan, got married and started a family. He attended the University of Toronto, graduating in Dentistry in 1951. He went on and achieved a master's in Pub-

lic Health at the University of Michigan. After several years in Public Health working for the Province of British Columbia, Doug co-founded the University

of British Columbia Dental School. For 25 years, Doug was a professor, associate Dean and Dean of the Dental School.

At 91 he remains active

in his retirement. An avid hockey player and bicycle rider, he joined the Boomer's Legacy bike ride at age 87 and plans to continue his involvement.

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