

# DID YOU KNOW?

AN INFORMATION SHEET FOR ST. JOHN AMBULANCE MEMBERS



## ST. JOHN AMBULANCE INTRANET AND E-MAIL SERVER

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**DID YOU KNOW** that two new servers have been installed at NHQ for volunteers, staff and members of the Order to use?

Many people have heard about the internet and the World-Wide Web, but what's the difference between the inTERnet and the inTRANet?

Basically, both use the same technology. The key difference is that the internet is a public network of the world's computers used to communicate to all people and the intranet is a private network inside the firewall of a private server to communicate with a select group of people. The intranet is just internet technology used "in-house".

Think of all of the information you currently have access to on the inTERnet. You can find almost anything by going to a search engine like Yahoo! or Alta Vista and typing in the key words. You just point and click to get what you need, and when you find something really useful, you can bookmark it, save it, print it, send it to a friend, etc. Now imagine being able to get work done within St. John Ambulance the same way, and you've got the general idea of the inTRANet.

When you look at the sheer volume of information stored at St. John Ambulance – including reams of printed information like StJCI, volunteer manuals, Brigade forms, new First Aid protocols, employee forms and benefits, policies and procedures, sales specials and marketing literature, product catalogues, news releases, and other reference documents (including the *DID YOU KNOW?* information sheets)– you quickly see the argument for taking information online.

Volunteers, staff and members with internet access will no longer have time to wade through a shelf full of manuals to find some obscure piece of information. The intranet gives us a way to put all of these up-to-date documents online into searchable directories for instant access by authorized users.

### INTRANET SERVER

All St. John Ambulance volunteers, staff and members of the Order who have internet access now have a place to get information on general and specific items pertaining to St. John Ambulance. Our intranet is still relatively new and under construction — if you would like to see information posted which is not currently available, contact us and give us your suggestions.

For information on how to obtain a user id and password, contact Richard Gore at 613-236-1283, ext. 240 or e-mail Richard at [rgore@nhq.sja.ca](mailto:rgore@nhq.sja.ca).

### E-MAIL SERVER

If you are a St. John Ambulance volunteer, staff or member of the Order with internet access, you can apply to have a new St. John Ambulance e-mail account for free. The new e-mail server is partitioned into sub-domains using the letter designation for your Province or Territory (e.g. [yourname@sk.sja.ca](mailto:yourname@sk.sja.ca)).

To sign-up, you must provide your full name, specify what Province or Territory you are in and indicate your position/affiliation with St. John Ambulance (volunteer, staff or member of the Order) to Richard Gore at 613-236-1283, ext. 240 or e-mail Richard at [rgore@nhq.sja.ca](mailto:rgore@nhq.sja.ca).