

# THE BRANDON LEGIONNAIRE



Branch 003, Brandon, MB

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### **CANADIAN ARMED FORCES DAY SUNDAY 5 JUNE 2022**

The **Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum** at McGill Field, Brandon Airport will be recognizing Armed Forces Day on ***Sunday, 5 June between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm.*** The public is invited to participate in this family friendly event. The Royal Canadian Air Force is expected to send up to four aircraft, a C-130 Hercules, CT-142 Dash 8, Hawk Jet Trainer and Harvard 2 trainer. In addition, we are expecting participation from Canadian Forces Base Shilo with several vehicles, as well as the [Royal Canadian Artillery Museum](#) with up to four vintage WWII vehicles. Along with our own flying aircraft consisting of a Cornell, Tiger Moth, Harvard, Stinson and Fleet Finch, we will be hosting visiting civilian aircraft; a Musketeer, Stearman, Harvard, T28 Trojan and Nanchang. There will be no flying aircraft demonstrations, but you will be able to get up close and personal with all the aircraft and in many cases speak directly to the pilots flying them.

The museum will also be open for viewing to take in our many non-flying aircraft and vintage vehicles.

We will have several food vendors on-site, and parking is free.

Admission is Adults \$10, age 6-17 \$5, under six is free, and family passes (two adults/two kids) is \$25. Military members, their immediate family, and veterans are free. Come out, make a day of it, and recognize our Armed Forces.



CAPTMs  
Harvard



RCAF  
Hawk  
Trainer



Canadian Army LAV  
Armoured vehicle



# Lest We Forget

They shall grow not old,  
as we that are left grow old.  
Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun,  
and in the morning,  
We will remember them.  
*We Will Remember Them*

Brandon Legion  
'Jack' Hamilton  
Room  
Archival Project

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# The Legionary

The Fighting Man's Magazine

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**A VOTE FOR YOUR  
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT  
CANDIDATE  
IS A VOTE TO WIN THE WAR**

**FOR OFFICERS AND MEN OVERSEAS**

This list gives you the names of the National Government candidates in your home constituencies. Vote for your "Win-the-War" candidate.

MANITOBA	
Constituency	Candidate
Brandon	John W. T. Thompson
Churchill	W. B. Scarth
Dauphin	Hon. J. L. Bowman
Lisgar	Reginald Follett
MacDonald	James Cuddy
Marquette	Robert Peden
Neepawa	Hon. T. G. Murphy, P.C.
Portage-la-Prairie	Geo. H. Jones
Provencher	W. R. Johnston
St. Boniface	Col. Geo. C. McLean
Souris	Col. Art. Ross
Springfield	R. K. Finlayson
Winnipeg North-Centre	Bjorn Stefansson
Winnipeg South	E. G. P. Baker
Winnipeg South-Centre	W. W. Kennedy



**National Notable Dates 2022**

The following are national days of relevance to The Royal Canadian Legion that raise awareness of an issue, commemorate a group or event, or celebrate something. Also included are national Legion activities.

Dominion Command promotes many of these dates through the Legions social media channels....

Facebook.com/CanadianLegion    Twitter.com/RoyalCdnLegion    Instagram.com/royalcanadianlegion

**JUNE 2022**

- Legion Riders promotion
- 1st Sunday Canadian Armed Forces Day
- 3-12 Memorial Cup
- \* June 3      Miracle at Dunkirk (1940)
- \* June 4      Normandy Invasion (D-Day) 1944
- \* June 6      World Blood Donor Day
- \* June 14     Father's Day
- \* June 19     National Indigenous Peoples Day
- \* June 21     Canadian Multiculturalism Day
- \* June 27

**The Royal Canadian Legion Q & A**

[When was the Legion founded?](#)

The Legion was founded as The Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League in Winnipeg in 1925, and incorporated by a special Act of Parliament and was issued its Charter in 1926. In 1960, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II assented to the prefix "Royal" which was added to create its current name – The Royal Canadian Legion. Read more history here: <https://legion.ca/who-we-are/what-we-do/our-history>

[What does the Legion do?](#)

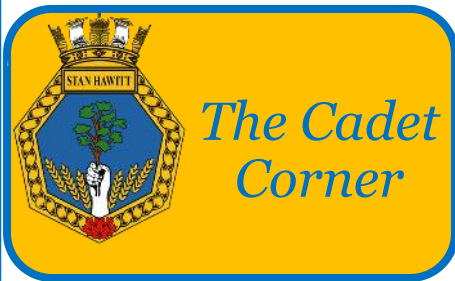
The Legion's core mission revolves around supporting our Veterans, their families and our communities. Read more here: <https://legion.ca/who-we-are/what-we-do>

[How does the Legion define a Veteran?](#)

A Veteran is any person who is serving or who has honorably served in the Canadian Armed Forces, the Commonwealth or its wartime allies, or as a Regular Member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or as a Peace Officer in a Special Duty Area or on a Special Duty Operation, or who has served in the Merchant Navy or Ferry Command during wartime.

[How is the Legion funded?](#)

The Royal Canadian Legion is a not-for-profit, membership-based organization. Funding to fulfill our mission is provided through a number of sources, including: (see page 4)



**To all our  
Navy League Cadets & Officers  
sending wishes for a  
'Healthy & Happy Summer 2022'  
See you in September!**

The Navy League of Canada, Manitoba Division, Brandon Branch Web: [www.mbnavyleague.ca](http://www.mbnavyleague.ca)

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**Membership dues:** Membership dues are determined at the Branch level and help support Branch operations. Dues are typically between \$40-\$60 per member per year. A portion of member dues support national and provincial operations such as administration, member programs and benefits, marketing and facilities.

**Publically accessible grants:** The Legion is not affiliated with any political party or organization and we do not typically accept financial assistance from any government party for our operations. However, Branches are able to pursue grants through federal, provincial or municipal government programs for initiatives outside of normal operations. These grants are available to all not-for-profits, and Legions only use the funds as defined in the grant guidelines.

**Fee-for-service contracts:** Branches often supplement income by renting out their facilities and providing food and entertainment services in their community.

**Fundraising:** A large part of funding for Legion Branches is through fundraising. Branch members volunteer their time to organize fundraising activities such as BBQs, dinners, bingo nights and meat draws to raise additional monies for operations and programming.

**Legion merchandise:** The Legion produces quality branded merchandise and apparel which Legion Branches sell at a profit. In addition, proceeds from purchases made directly through the Member Store and [The Poppy Store](#) support Legion programs, and are shared with Commands in proportion to the sales made to Branches and members within each Command.

**Poppy Trust Fund:** Donations to the Legion Poppy Trust Fund are never used for Legion operations. Donations to the Poppy Trust Fund are placed in trust to be used to help Veterans and their dependents in need, and to honour their sacrifices. For more information on the Poppy Trust Fund, please [click here](#).

Brandon Branch No 3 Newsletter

June 1962

*Glimpse & Glance  
Into Our  
Legion's Past*



BRANDON BRANCH No.  
24 - 8th STREET BRANDON, MANITOBA

Decorated Day, Sunday June 23rd. will be at the Eighteenth st. entrance of the Exhibition grounds. There will be a pause in the parade to enable the older Veterans and older members of the Ladies Auxiliary to fall in at a point closer to the Cemetery.  
Owing to previous commitments we are unable to obtain the services of the Salvation Army Band or that of the 26th. Field.  
Unless something unforeseen happens, it looks as if this will be almost entirely a Veterans Affair, Every Veteran must attend if this service is to survive for future years. We owe a debt to those of our Comrades who have passed on, let us not forget, as those who have not the common bond, seems to have forgotten.  
JUNE 23rd. Fall in at 2:30 Service at 3:00.

We are very sorry to report there will be no Legion Booth at the fair this year. Could it be that the ladies are having the same problems as the Branch with their efforts? Shortage of Volunteers?

Dear Comrades:  
Well, Comrade Steve Gurba and his committee have certainly done a wonderful job in the Clubrooms and I believe that you will all agree with me on that. Congratulations, Steve, and many thanks to and your committee who did the work.  
Steve informed us at the last Executive meeting that his next project is the remodelling of the front entrance of the building which has also long been overdue. Our Treasurer however says we have to get some cash first - as the suppliers have a habit of wanting to be paid for the material they supply.  
Comrade Carey has some film taken at the opening of the Clubrooms after the renovations and plans to have this incorporated with the previous film he made. This should be a real feature picture as everyone seemed to have a real good time. We were very pleased to see some members from out of town present.

In this issue you will read of some changes on the Executive of your Branch. We sincerely hope these replacements will be able to come up with some ideas to help the Treasury. We are carrying a very heavy load for the next few months, in fact, we see very little relief for at least six months yet, so we ask all members to get out and support every effort which comes up. Your support, no matter how small, will help to overcome our difficulties.

Any of you having difficulty in financing your holidays, why not go now and pay later - through your Branch Credit Union. Many of our members are taking advantage of this new service being offered by the Branch.

So for June I'll say -  
Cheerio,  
Fraternally,  
George Flay, Secretary.

THE LADIES' CORNER  
Hello Ladies: time is fast approaching, and I'm certain we're all looking forward to them. Here's hoping this sunny (?) weather is with us to stay for awhile.  
Mrs. C. McLachlan is leaving this month on a much deserved holiday. She is planning a trip to California, also a stop at the World's Fair in Seattle. We all wish her an enjoyable time. The Auxiliary will not be operating a concession this year at the Exhibition - so many going away at this time that there is insufficient help to cope with it.  
We have Mrs. W. MacKay on our sick list this month. Here's wishing her a speedy recovery. We still have some dues outstanding for 1962. So-Ladies, if you haven't paid your dues - please arrange to do so now - as soon as possible.

December the First was chosen as the date for our Fall Tea and Bazaar - so there is ample time to prepare those Bazaar items.  
Our General Meetings will be adjourned for the summer months, so there will not be a General Meeting until September.  
So, for this month - Cheerio and Happy Holidays. May your sunburn be a light one!

Flo Duncan  
PA9-4364

EDITOR'S NOTE: Shortly after receiving the copy from Mrs. Duncan, it started to rain. Now - 21 hours later, there is still a nice rain falling. Hence the Question mark in the first paragraph of the Ladies' Corner.

REMEMBER: EVEN THOUGH IT IS HOLIDAY TIME AND REGULAR BUSINESS MEETINGS ARE NOT SCHEDULED - KEEP IN TOUCH AND DO SUPPORT OUR PROJECTS - WE NEED EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

# Ladies' Corner

## Ladies' Auxiliary Spring Raffle

The Ladies' Auxiliary held their Spring Raffle on [May 7](#). All 250 books of tickets were sold and we'd like to thank everyone who supported our fundraiser. Special thanks to Barb Roberds who had a hand in selling over 100 of those books! Here are the winners:



**\$200 – Deb Lamirande**  
**\$100 – Brian Johnston**  
**\$75 – Monica Bowles**

Catch us in the fall for our [Christmas Raffle!](#)

## NOTE OF DECORATION DAY Sunday 5 June 2022 CANCELLATION

Our Branch President Fred Pritchard sent the following email to his Executive team and before this June Newsletter was published ... *"It is with a heavy heart that I announce, Brandon Branch 003 will NOT be hosting the 2022 Annual Decoration Day Service. Due to lack of community participation and interest, the Branch has been left with little choice but to cancel. We will begin to spend our time and resources on the 2022 Remembrance Day Service in November. I thank you all for your ongoing support this year, but, look forward to our service in November."*

## Note of interest Decoration Day Sunday 23 June 1962



The following quote by George Flay Branch Secretary was taken from Brandon Branch #3 Newsletter of June 1962

*"Every Veteran must attend if this service is to survive for future years."*

A quick search of a few old Branch newsletters it appears that the Legion Decoration Day Service, at the Brandon Veterans Cemetery seems to have survived over these years with the exception of June 2020. With the event being cancelled due to the human tragedy of a worldwide pandemic. And, in June 2021, a small group of people met briefly, at the cenotaph, to pay their respects, lay but a few wreaths and crosses.

There are a few similarities in comparing the events of this service pre-Covid and those of 23 June 1962. However, the glaring difference is the fact that those Veterans George Flay gently demanded march to the Brandon Veterans Cemetery for the Decoration Day in 1962 are the Veterans that are now buried there. Sadly, they are the ones who should be honoured on Sunday 5th June 2022, as well as all who rest as Veterans, in cemeteries throughout Canada and the world.

Take two minutes on Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 3:00 pm to

**"Remember them"**

### **Brandon Branch 003 Legion Executive 2022**

President: Fred Pritchard  
 Past President: Cindy Stumme  
 1st Vice President: Raymond Burgess  
 2nd Vice President: Linda Wakefield  
 Sgt-at-Arms: Richard McDonald

### **Executive Committee**

Maureen Hawkins, Laura Hyrich,  
 Bob Mawson, Paul Mount,  
 Terry Shand, Erich Stumme, Murray Tallant

### **LADIES AUXILIARY 2020 EXECUTIVE**

President : Maureen Farrant  
 Past President: Linda Leckie  
 1st Vice President: Laura Hyrich  
 2nd Vice President: Barb Roberds  
 Secretary: Betty Persian  
 Sgt-at-Arms: Suzanne Cartier  
 Treasurer: Pat Simmons  
 Membership: Barb Wood  
 Poppy Committee: Shirley Kernaghan, Barb Roberds  
 Liaison: Laura Hyrich  
 Funeral Teas/Houselady: Maureen Farrant

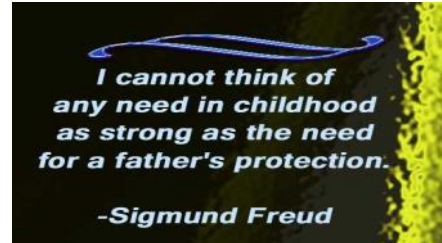
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**Legion Branch Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/LegionBrandonBranch/> ...contact  
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**Legion Branch Website:** <https://www.brandonlegion.ca/> ( Please note plans for a re-start  
 /update for our Branch website in 2022

**Brandon Legionnaire Branch Newsletter:** contact Linda at [mrswakes@mymts.net](mailto:mrswakes@mymts.net) to submit  
 articles &/or pictures




**LEGION  
BINGO**

**THURSDAY EVENING**

**Doors open 5:00pm-Early Bird 6:30 pm**

**Regular 7:00 pm**



**BRANCH 003 Legion hosts every  
Friday & Saturday Nite  
Meat Draws - 50/50 - CHASE The ACE**

Join in the fun & excitement of a  
chance to win while supporting your

  
Brandon Branch #3