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Letter from the President

Bidding 2022 a fair adieu, myself and the Brandon Branch 003 Executive would like to wish everyone a bright and joyous New Year We are genuinely excited to bring you another year of growth and Comradeship for 2023.

This past year has seen development in relationships with the Public Safety Students at ACC and the Navy League Cadet Corps. These relationships play an integral part of maintaining a presence in our community and forever continuing promoting the mission of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Our general membership continues to grow, equally, the Branch will continue to grow. We would like to acknowledge the continued support of our members and as importantly, our many volunteers. Many times, has it been said that 'Teamwork Makes The Dream Work'. I can whole heartedly agree. The general membership may be rest assured that the welfare of the Branch is of utmost importance to the Executive, and we will do our very best in keeping the Branch's interest at hand.

Please join us in welcoming 2023 and as we, together, continue to make Brandon Branch 003 the gathering place the community has come to respect and enjoy.

We look forward to another great year. Stay safe, keep well.

Thank you,
Fred Pritchard
President RCL Brandon Branch 003







# For the Legion and for many across the country, Remembrance is a year-long commitment.

Promoting Remembrance is part of The Royal Canadian Legion's mission and has been one of our principal objectives since our inception. The Legion inspires Canadians to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country, and to honour those who served and continue to serve today. Remembrance is a year-long commitment, and we endeavour to promote it through programs, services, and resources.

## Ways to remember

Canadians often associate The Royal Canadian Legion with Remembrance ceremonies and and the <u>annual Poppy campaign</u>. Through these initiatives, we honour and remember Canada's fallen Veterans and help ensure Canadians never forget.

While November is recognized as a time of Remembrance, for the Legion and for many across the country, Remembrance is a year-long commitment. At any given moment, there are many opportunities available to anyone wishing to show their appreciation for those who served, including:

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# Glimpse & Glance Into Brandon Legion Past

The Brandon Daily Sun brandon-daily-sun-Jan-20-1937-p-1 (1).pdf

CORONATION WILL BE CELEBRATED IN BRANDON MAY 12

Canadian Legion Lead Off Preliminaries for Fitting and Notable Day in

At the meeting of the local branch of the Canadian Legion at the Prince Edward hotel last evening the m atter of local celebrations of the coronation of King George VI was considered.

The legion has plans for Its part in some ceremonies, festivities and events for May 12. It was, however, decided to appoint a committee to go Into the m atter of broadening the efforts Into one concerted, continuous city celebration. Amalgamation of plans to dovetail into a real local celebration co-operatively win be the objective of the Canadian Legion. Other local bodies, leaders, organisations, aldermen, societies, lodges and service clubs will be asked to meet to plan a community program of worth. Under the new president, Fred Somerville, this coronation proposal was well forwarded last night. The coronation comm ittee convenor is L. V. Smith, T he Installation of the new officers of the Canadian Legion w tU taka place at a smoking concert at the Prince Edward hotel on W Wednesday next. A fine program is being arranged for a spirited entertainment as well as the reception of the new officers. It will be a public assembly. Other routine business and discussion upon local conditions occupied tbe attention of the legionnaires at their meeting.

Brandon Daily Sun Newspaper Archives **February 19, 1941** pg 11

#### OPEN MEETING OF CANADIAN I FGION

In the place of a regular business meeting of the Canadian Legion tomorrow evening the members will meet to hear Wing Command J. Cox. DF (A. of No. 33 S.FT.S..RAF, Carberry. The meeting will be open to all ex-servicemen and members of His Majesty's forces. It will be held at the Canadian Legion hall on Eighth street.

Brandon Daily Sun Newspaper Archives Wednesday

January 15, 1941

CANADIAN LEGION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Canadian Legion. B.E.S.L.. will be held at the legion hall on Eighth street tomorrow' evening at eight o'clock. One of the functions will be the installation of officers for the year

Newspapers can serve as **useful primary sources for historical research**. They reflect the time period in which they were created, and provide a glimpse into society at the time.

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#### Zyloway Legion Champ Brandon Sun Newspaper Archives January 15, 1968 Page 35

Mike Zyloway and his Legion foursome captured the top honors in the 12th annual Brandon Legion bonspiel played in the city over the weekend as 73 rinks took part in the three-day spiel. Zyloway knocked off Harvey Learning in the final game of the first event late Sunday night to take the first place trophies and the tournament title for the first time. On his way to the . finals he beat Bill King, while Learning slopped Ernie Rodenbush. In the second event of the three-event bonspiel Brandon's Fraser Clarke easily got by Gord Smailey 11-7 in another final played Sunday. Clarke defeated Bill Forbes to gain, the right to meet Smailey in the final game. Fourth in the event was Dave Ballance. The third event was a different story, however, as John Ozerinski and Les Wells hooked up in a real light battle with Ozerinski finally taking the game 8-7. Third went to Joe Wregget with Bill, Rourke picking up fourth. Bonspiel chairman Jim Sheldon had his charges playing nine draws a day to make the finals Sunday. The entry list this year was down two from last year when 75 rinks took part. The Brandon Legion bonspiel, open to all veterans, is the biggest Legion spiel in Canada, and is played in the only Legion owned curling rink in the Dominion.





# Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch #3

"For Fun" Bonspiel

Saturday January 28,2023



Riverview Curling Club 420 Maryland Ave. Brandon Ladies....Men's....Mixed \$180.00 per Team

**Evening to follow at RCLegion Banquet Hall Roast Beef Supper - Prizes** 

Contact: Laureen -Legion Lounge 204-728-5026 or Blaine 204-573-9094

#### ON THE BRANDON LEGIONNAIRE



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#### Ways to REMEMBER all year of 2023

- \* Becoming a Legion member to support Veterans year-round
- \* Making a donation to the Legion's Poppy Trust Fund at any Legion Branch
- Saying "Thank you" to a Veteran
- \* Honouring a fallen Veteran on the Legion's Wall of Honour and Remembrance
- \* Planting Poppy seeds or growing a garden of Remembrance
- \* Visiting a cenotaph
- \* Inviting a Legion Branch to make a presentation at a school or community group
- \* Wearing or displaying commemorative items from the Poppy Store
- \* Visiting the Canadian War Museum or local history museums
- Volunteering to help Veterans, and more!

Most importantly, take a moment now and then to reflect on the freedoms and peace in your life, and to remember the men and women who served and sacrificed for all we have today.



#### **National Notable Dates 2023**

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. Branches may wish to promote these dates or organize related activities. Dominion Command promotes many of these dates through our social media channels. Selected commemorative dates may be promoted on significant anniversaries.

We encourage Branches and members to share Legion national messaging from our social media channels: Facebook.com/CanadianLegion Twitter.com/RoyalCdnLegion Instagram.com/royalcanadianlegion

#### **JANUARY**

1 New Years Day •

27 Holocaust Remembrance Day •

25 Bell Let's Talk (mental health) •

Membership renewal reminders



## Poppy Funds for Veteran support organizations

#### Veteran Support Partnership Program

Through generous donations to the Royal Canadian Legion <u>Poppy Trust Fund</u>, the Legion is able to provide funding to eligible organizations undertaking Veteran support initiatives, as outlined in the Poppy Manual.

Eligible organizations that provide support for Veterans and/or their families may apply for funding through the Legion.

#### Eligible Organizations

Eligible recipient organizations are non-profit and for-profit organizations, based in Canada. Individuals and federal or provincial organizations are not eligible for funding. To be eligible, the project must support Veterans as defined by the Legion, and/or their families.

The Legion's definition of 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."

#### Eligible Projects

Eligible projects may be assessed against the following criteria:

- The project must be of a finite duration, with clear start and end dates within a calendar year.
- The applicant has the capacity to deliver the project.
- If the project has a physical and/or psychological remedial intent, it must be sanctioned by an accredited institution.
- The project objectives are specific and realistic and clearly support the objective of the Legion.
- The project will have noticeable impact and reach.
- Where agreements for collaboration are required to ensure the successful delivery of the project, contributors have confirmed their participation.
- The proposed budget is reasonable and sufficiently detailed.

#### **Ineligible Projects**

A project is NOT eligible if:

- it establishes a requirement for operational (core) funding to the organization;
- it duplicates government or Legion initiatives;
- it creates a financial dependency;
- it is of a commercial nature and allows the organization to generate profits or increase its economic value;
- it is completed before the application is submitted; or
- its revenues cover or exceed expenditures.



# Legion Ladies Corner

Our December meeting had 17 members present. We started with a congregate meal, fellowship and games. The Early Bird winner is Barb Wood. Elections were held with the initiation of new Sqt-at Arms, Maureen McCormick. The rest of the executive will remain in position for 2023. This was a good turnout of members and a chance to wish each other a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The first meeting of 2023 will be on January 3rd at 2:00 p.m. in the lounge. Best wishes to all for a great new year.

Submitted by Betty Persian

#### **Brandon Branch Legionnaire** Monday, January 2,2023

#### **Ladies' Auxiliary Christmas Raffle**

There was great excitement at the meat draw on December 17<sup>th</sup> – President Fred Pritchard did a great job in firing up the crowd for our raffle draw!!! The lucky winners were:

> **Emery Trumbley - \$200** Arne Urban - \$100 Joan Madill - \$75

A huge thank you to all who bought tickets – I know a lot of you were wondering when it was all going to end because it seemed like we were always after you to buy tickets! Another thank you to all the LA members who sold tickets – we sold out again. Our star ticket seller award goes to Barb Roberds once again. Out of 250 books, she had a hand in selling 95 and maybe more.

Look for us in the spring when we'll be selling tickets once again.

Pat Simmons - raffle chair

#### THE BRANDON SUN, Friday, January 2, 1981

BRANDON BRANCH NO. 3

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION CHRISTMAS DRAW

#### \$10 Winners:

AdelaKodiak, Bdn. J. R ob lesky, Bdn. Eleane Elliott, Bdn. K ris Engelbretson, Bdn. D oroth y M o o re, Bdn. Joan Keen, Bdn. \$25 Winner:

K. Schiedel, Bdn.

\$50 Winner:

Laurie W e stb u ry, Bdn.

\$75 Winner:

Rene N eron, Bdn.

\$100 Winner:

G la d y s H am nett, Bdn.

Thanks to all for being part of this Christmas Endeavor. Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch No<sup>3</sup>





The Navy League of Canada, Manitoba Division, Brandon Branch Web: <a href="https://www.mbnavyleague.ca">www.mbnavyleague.ca</a>

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## Navy League Cadets

Navy League Cadets is a program for youth 9-12. Boating, sports and music are just some of the fun activities cadets can enjoy in an environment that emphasizes citizenship, teamwork and friendship.

# Navy League Cadet Corps Stan Hawitt

Parade Night: Wednesday 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Parade

Location: Royal Canadian Legion Branch #3 560 13th Street East Brandon, MB R7A 7C1



# GoodBye December 2022



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## Poppy Presentations







Volunteer & Staff Christmas Party











## Hello January 2023

New Years Day Levee in Legion Branch Branch 003



On the afternoon of 1st Sunday January 2023 our Branch's annual New Years Day Levee began. The guests were invited into our Lounge by President Fred Pritchard, 1st Vice President Raymond Burgess and Past President Cindy Stumme.

In attendance were elected Executive members Linda Baker, Maureen & Mike Hawkins, Bob Mawson, Richard McDonald, Terry Shand, Erich Stumme and Linda Wakefield, 2nd Vice President. And the following members who were unable to attend are Paul Mount, Sgt-at-Arms, Laura & Mel Hyrich, and Suzanne Cartier.

A warm and welcoming afternoon was had by all those present. The ceremonial 'Moose Milk" was a hit, and Cindy was called upon often to refresh the bowl! And Erich put out a light lunch made in another kitchen.

Our President brought the afternoon to a close with an encouraging and heartwarming address. He thanked all those who have volunteered in the past, and continue to do so into the future. With his hope that the light of comradeship and volunteerism continues to burn brightly in our Brandon Branch...



#### **Brandon Branch 003 Legion Executive 2023**

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

#### **Newly Elected Executive Committee 2023**

Linda Baker, Suzanne Cartier, Maureen Hawkins, Mike Hawkins, Laura Hyrich, Mel Hyrich, Bob Mawson, Richard McDonald, Terry Shand

#### **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: Maureen McCormick

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 Laureen at Legion Lounge

Legion Branch Website: https://www.brandonlegion.ca/

**Brandon Legionnaire Branch Newsletter:** contact Linda at 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





# **JANUARY 2023**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Friday	Sat
1 President's New Years Day Levee 1- 4 pm	2 Branch Closed	Ladies Auxiliary Mtg 2:00 pm in Lounge	4 Cribbage 7:00 pm	5 BINGO Doors open 5 pm	6 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00pm	7 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 4:30pm
8 Branch Closed	9 Branch Closed	Branch Executive 7:00 pm	Cribbage 7:00 pm	12 BINGO Doors open 5 pm	Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00pm	14 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 4:30pm
15 Branch Closed	16 Branch Closed	17	Cribbage 7:00 pm	BINGO Doors open 5 pm	20 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00pm	21 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 4:30pm
22 Branch Closed	23 Branch Closed	GENERAL MEETING 7:30 PM	25 Cribbage 7:00 pm	26  BINGO  Doors open 5 pm	Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00 pm	28 Legion Bonspiel 9am Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 4:30
29 Branch Closed	30 Branch Closed	31				

Branch Lounge Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Regular meetings of Ladies Auxiliary 1st Tuesday February to June & September to December at 7:00 pm in the Legion Banquet Hall