



ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 148



Lest We Forget

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 148
RENFREW, ONTARIO**

**SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2018
BRANCH BULLETIN**

"They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, not the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will Remember Them"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Comrades: Fall is fast approaching and we are beginning to prepare for Remembrance Day. At the same time, we are looking forward to being a part of the 5th ***Annual Road to Recovery*** charity ruck march, raising funds and awareness for Homeless Veterans. On September 14, a team of civilians, veterans and others will be stopping over at our Branch, one of the stops on this 4 day trek from Petawawa to Kanata. The Ruck team is expected to be arriving with Fire Department escort at approximately 5:00 p.m. All members are invited to come by and meet the team at a BBQ, with all proceeds going to the Joe Sweeney Fund. The Ruck team will be departing Saturday, September 15 after a hearty breakfast at Rocky Mountain House.

RANDY DOWELL, PRESIDENT

LAST POST

Our Deepest sympathy is expressed to the families of Associate member Comrade Ray Kane July 22, 2018 and Comrade Bernice Jamieson and Comrade Jeanette Holmes members of the Ladies Auxiliary

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SICK & VISITING

Bonnechere Manor - Adam Kedrosky, Pat Griese, Mel Scobie, Dan Deslaurier
Mirimichi Lodge - Cecil Code
Groves Park Lodge - J.P. Biard, George Prince, Norman Warren
At home - Bernadette Lacourse

BURSARY

Renfrew Branch granted 5 Branch Bursaries of \$500.00 each to qualifying students of St. Joseph's High School and Renfrew Collegiate Institute. These Bursaries were presented at the Schools Graduation Exercises. Provincial Bursary applications are now available in the Legion office. Members please continue to help get the word out that these bursaries are available to qualifying students in the amount of \$750.00. This past school year one Renfrew student received a Provincial Bursary. A thank you card was received from Renfrew Collegiate Institute.

ELLA BOX, BURSARY CHAIR

WAYS & MEANS

Thanks to everyone who helps to sell 50/50 tickets on Saturday afternoons in the Lounge. Anyone wishing to handle the 50/50 on Saturdays, please do not hesitate to contact the office and Jessica will pass your name along to me. Thank you to all members of the Branch and the public for supporting our lottery events in the lounge. Please help support your Branch's endeavours to make donations to our Community.

RICHARD FITZSIMMONS, WAYS & MEANS CHAIR

RENFREW SILVER SENIORS

The Silver Seniors continue to play darts every Monday afternoon.
Executive Meeting - 2nd Monday of each month

YOUTH EDUCATION

Literacy and Poster contest packages are being readied to take to eight local schools the first week of September. Deadline for submissions is Friday, Nov. 2, with judging at the Legion hall on Tuesday, November 6. Anyone wishing to help judge should contact the office. Thanks for helping with this worthwhile endeavour, that will see you helping to judge Remembrance Day posters, poems and essays, submitted by our local students. Video entries are sent directly to the provincial level. Encourage your children and grandchildren to put their best remembrance forward.

KATE WINDLE, YOUTH EDUCATION CHAIR

ENTERTAINMENT

Please see the attached calendars for all event postings. The Legion Lounge Facebook page and the Legion website are also a good place to find out what is happening at our branch.

The Bands having been doing well in the Lounge. New bands and new people coming in. The deck has been a busy place all summer. Thanks to those who attend.

FRAN GODIN, ENTERTAINMENT CHAIR

LADIES AUXILIARY

Ladies will be serving up the Ruck to Remember group on Sept. 14. Bring your appetites, as all profits will be given to the members of the Ruck Team. Thank you ladies.

ROSE LAFONT, PRESIDENT L.A. #148

POPPY

The Poppy Trust fund is used to support Veterans and provide bursaries for eligible students. Monies raised as part of the Poppy Campaign are not used to fund branch operations. All Branch members are encouraged to participate in the Poppy Tagging days which are being held on October 26 and 27 this year. Volunteers are also needed to take on routes and other tasks as needed. We are also still looking for a Poppy Chair. If anyone is interested in taking on this challenge, please contact the office.

RANDY DOWELL, POPPY CHAIRMAN

MUSEUM

Anyone wishing to visit our Museum, please call the Branch Office at 613-432-6450 to make arrangements.

RANDY DOWELL, BRANCH HISTORIAN

NEVADA

Remember we have break open tickets for sale in the Lounge every day. The proceeds from these sales help us to donate to the local community.

SHEILA RIOPELLE, NEVADA CHAIR

BELLS OF PEACE – 100TH ANNIVERSARY, NOVEMBER 11 AT SUNSET

More information to follow in the November - December 2018 newsletter.

**COMRADE BRUCE FERGUOSN
SGT-AT-ARMS**

1st RENFREW SCOUTS

Hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer. For the scouting family we said goodbye to one of our own, Scouter Ray Kane left us on July 22nd. He has helped for over 55 years in the Scouting movement, he will be greatly missed.

We are preparing for a new scouting year are you ready. To register youth or adult as a leader you need to go to myscouts.ca, if you are having issues contact me at sue_is_bubbles23@hotmail.com. If you know a youth between 5 years old and 13 years old we have something for everyone from kayaking, camping and new adventures we have a spot for you.

Before Our new year starts I was happy to present Angela Field and Rose Powell their Certificate of Commendation for Service to Scouting. Great job ladies.

Yours in Scouting,

SUE FLEMING, SCOUT LIASON

IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Just a little reminder of our upcoming Work Bee, on Saturday, September 15, at 9 a.m. Please bring a mop and pail, and gloves (if you prefer gloves) and your elbow grease! If you are unable to physically assist, but would like to make a financial donation towards cleaning products, please drop your donation off at the Legion Office during regular hours (Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri, 8-4) or drop off in the Lounge during lounge hours.

We will be hosting a sandwich sale in the Lounge on Saturdays and a barbecue this summer on a Saturday (or two). If you would like to volunteer for either the barbecue or the sandwich days, or to make a donation, please leave your name and number in the Office at 613-432-6450.

ZONE G-7 NEWS

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Zone Council Meeting was held on June 10, 2018, Branch Presidents and Zone Officers presented update reports of activities and events. Sgt. at Arms Paul Heath thanked Renfrew Branch and their Sgt-at-Arms and Colour Party for a good job at the Zone Convention. Provincial PRO reminded members of the importance of completing the Branch Survey; all this information is used to promote the work of Legion Programs. Legion Week this year is during September 16th to the 22nd.

Dominion Convention will be held August 25 to 29, 2018 in Winnipeg. Zone Commander Wayne Bennett stated Branch inspections will be completed in October.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED - ELLA BOX

SPORTS

All Zone Sports are for Legion members only. Open sports may be attended by anyone interested in participating.

Check the bulletin board at the branch for sign-up information for the September 1, Dave Palfreyman Memorial Golf Tournament. The \$60.00 entry includes golf, cart and a steak dinner at the Legion, following the tournament. If you would like to donate cash and/or prizes for this tournament please take them to the branch office.

GREG WALBECK - SPORTS OFFICER

VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER

If assistance is required members or any veterans and/or spouses can call the Branch for assistance. The Provincial Service Officer is Comrade Patricia Royle and her phone number is 1-888-207-3703. She will assist in any way she can. Please feel free to call the Branch or Patricia if you have any questions.

BILL MCLEOD - VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER

MEMBERSHIP

There are currently 198 members and dues for the year 2019 will be ready for purchase in September. The dues have increased to \$47.00 per member. All dues must be paid by December 30, 2018. Please ensure that your contact information is complete and correct.

BRYAN LOCKHART, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Like, Share and Comment on our Facebook page. It is an excellent way to promote the Branch and engage others in the community. You can find the page by searching "Royal Canadian Legion Br. 148 Renfrew" on Facebook or click on the Facebook icon on the Branch website. Photos will continue to be submitted to the local newspaper and Legion magazine for consideration. Deadline for submissions to the November - December 2018 newsletter is Tuesday, Oct. 23. This will allow time to write, proof, print and deliver your news. Thank you for your punctuality when submitting reports.

KATE WINDLE- PRO

FROM THE OFFICE

Hall rentals continue to be a good source of revenue. The cost for Non-members will be \$200.00 per event and for Members \$130.00 per event. Members may rent the hall at the Members rate for themselves, their parents, siblings and children. For all other

family members they must pay the Non-member amount. The rentals include the use of the hall, the use of the coffee and tea urns, the fridge and the counter space in the kitchen. It does not include the use of the stove, unless by prior arrangements have been made with the Ladies Auxiliary, or any of the Ladies Auxiliary equipment. The Secretary should be made aware of any arrangements renters have made with the Ladies Auxiliary in order to prevent any confusion or dispute. We continue to donate our hall for non-profit organizations and for fundraisers. If you wish to have your bulletin sent to you by email, please contact the Legion at rclrenfrew@cogeco.net or 613-432-6450.

Also, in November we are hosting a Flu Shot clinic for the Health Unit--more details to follow.

Charitable donations have been made to the Renfrew Food Bank, Canadian Cancer Society, Renfrew Victoria Hospital, Homeless Veteran's Fund and Hospice Renfrew.

MEETINGS

Branch 148 Executive Meeting	2 nd Monday of each Month	7:00 p.m.
Ladies Auxiliary Br 148 Meeting	3 rd Tuesday of each month	7:00 p.m.
Branch General Meeting	4 th Wednesday of each month	7:00 p.m.

The Branch does not have General Meetings the months of July, August and December.

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