

## **ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 148**

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## **JULY 2024 BRANCH BULLETIN**

# **Legion Mission Statement**

Our mission is to serve Veterans, including serving Military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance, and to serve our communities and our country.

#### **MEETINGS**:

Branch 148 Executive Meeting 2nd Monday of each Month 7:00 p.m.

Ladies Auxiliary Br 148 Meeting 3rd Tuesday of each Month 7:00 p.m.

Branch General Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each Month 7:00 p.m.

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

<u>PRESIDENT'S REPORT</u>: I wish to thank everyone for having faith in me as your President for another term of office. I will try my best to do a good job for you all. Just a reminder if any comrade has any ideas for fundraising or a way to help the Branch make extra funds, please pass them on to myself or to the Office. I would like to wish everyone a safe and great summer. I hope to see all of you back in the fall. And don't forget to support our Lounge entertainment whenever possible.

Greg Walbeck, President

**FROM THE OFFICE**: Please note that the Office will be closed the week of July 29, and will reopen on Tuesday, August 6. The phone messages and email will be checked on a regular basis.

**BURSARY:** Renfrew Branch granted 11 Branch Bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to qualifying students of St. Joseph's High School and Renfrew Collegiate Institute. Thanks to Comrade Rob Marsh for taking time to attend the graduation ceremonies to present these bursaries. The Provincial Bursary Program will open again in early September, at which time applications will be available in the Legion Office Provincial. Bursaries may be awarded at any stage of a college or university program.

Ella Box, Bursary Chair

## YOUTH EDUCATION CITIZENSHIP AWARD:

Congratulations to Payton Latreille of Our Lady of Fatima School, who received the Renfrew Legion Citizenship Award. Thanks to the Ways & Means Committee for your financial support of this award.

Submitted by Ella Box



CONSTITUTION & LAWS & RESOLUTIONS/BRANCH REGULATIONS: Some amendments to the Poppy Manual were approved by the Dominion Executive Council on April 28, 2024. The updated version of the Manual is available once logged into the Member Services Website under Branch and Command Resources/Poppy and Remembrance.

Submitted by Ella Box

**PROPERTY**: The building is in good shape. There are still some small things to be done.

Richard Fitzsimmons, Property co-Chair

**MEMBERSHIP**: If you have any questions about your membership/transfer, are missing your red membership card, or want to update the information on your file, don't hesitate to reach out to me. We now have a dedicated membership email: <a href="membership.branch148renfrew@gmail.com">membership.branch148renfrew@gmail.com</a>.

Christopher Thompson, Membership Chair

**ZONE G7 NEWS:** Comrades, please support the Zone Ways/Means 50/50 fund raiser. Tickets are available in the Lounge and Legion office, \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5. The Draw will take at the Zone Octoberfest Dance. **Submitted by Ella Box** 

1<sup>ST</sup> RENFREW SCOUTING: Our Scouting year has ended by having the youth come to the camp for their badges. After our barbecue, they all went fishing. We are hoping to get some work done at the camp over the summer. I and two other leaders will attend a meeting in August, and we are hoping to find out what is left to be done to open the camp. I would like to wish everyone a great summer of adventures.

Yours in Scouting, Susan Fleming

LADIES AUXILIARY: Our meetings are finished until September but we are keeping busy. Starting on June 26, and every Wednesday afternoon we will have Euchre in the Hall at 1pm. Come out for a fun afternoon. Thanks to Comrade Fran Godin for keeping us organized and to everyone who supplies the snacks for these events. On August 3 we will be doing our Pancake Breakfast again, every first Saturday of the month from now on. Comrades Laura Warren, Colleen Warren, Lianne Lariviere and Sheila Riopelle attended Provincial Darts in Brockville. They had fun meeting new friends. On Saturday June 29 our Comrade Sheila Riopelle again had her dart tournament for our Vets. With a lot of support, she raised \$ 930. Keep an eye out for our pulled pork sandwiches during the summer. From the Ladies, we are wishing everyone a safe summer.

Yours in Comradeship, Susan Fleming

**<u>NEVADA</u>**: The Nevada dispenser has been fixed there are two boxes left then we are going back to the old-style (5-tab) tickets which will make it easier to fill. Have a great summer.

Ron Kilby, Nevada Chair

**ENTERTAINMENT**: Renfrew Legion is having their Saturday afternoon live entertainment out on the deck (weather permitting) now that the nice weather is here. We have live entertainment beginning at 3pm until 7pm and it's free. Stop in and visit everyone who comes out and listens every Saturday. I wish everyone a safe and fun summer. **Brian Snider, Entertainment Chair** 

July 6 – Lorne Daley and Ricochet Riders	Aug. 3	Aces & Eights
July 13 – Lock Stock & Barrel	Aug. 10	Treblemakers
July 20 – Pitch Black	Aug. 17	Jerry Lee
July 27 – Murray Langford and The Valley	Aug. 24	Rick King Band
Junction	Aug. 31	Silas (Palfreyman Golf
	tournament)	

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**: I look forward to being your Sergeant-at-Arms for another year.

Robert Marsh, Sergeant-at-Arms

**YOUTH EDUCATION**: I am proud to say I have been appointed the branch Youth Education Officer and I thank my comrades for showing confidence in me. I would like to thank everyone who voted me in as the First Vice President, a position I am not going to take lightly, and I am surrounded by a good team that can help me hopefully become a good president in the future.

Robert Marsh, Youth Education Chair

**SPORTS**: We have two fun darts afternoons planned:

Sunday July 28 Fun Darts Blind Draw Doubles. Registration 12-12:45, with play starting at 1pm. \$15.00/person.

Sunday, August 25, 2024 Fun Darts Blind Draw Doubles. Registration 12-12:45, with play starting at 1pm. \$15.00/person.

The Dave Palfreyman Memorial Golf Tournament has been booked at Dragonfly Golf Links, for Saturday, August 31, 2024 (Labour Day weekend). \$75/player, which includes 17 holes of golf and cart, and a BBQ dinner back at the Branch. Shotgun start at 1pm. The registration sheet is now posted on the Sports Bulletin board in the Lounge. I will report further once Zone Sports are announced.

\*\*Greg Walbeck\*\*, Sports Chair\*\*

**HOMELESS VETERAN'S DARTS TOURNAMENT**: I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Veteran's Dart tournament on June 29, 2024:

Greg Walbeck, who ran the tournament; Laura Warren, for registration; Barry Thomas, who did the barbecue; Charlotte Coe and Madge Virgin, who ran the canteen; Fran Godin, for running the bar; Ron Kilby, for Nevada and donation of the bird feeder; Linda Guertin, for donating the Tim Horton cards; Lori Brown and Sheila Riopelle, for donating a basket; Penny Hill, for donating the pillow; June, who donated the wreath; Patsy Watson, for selling the tickets for the prizes; and Bobbi-Jo Anderson, for selling 50/50 tickets. I would also like to thank all the dart players for supporting the Veteran's Tournament.

Thank you for all the help with the tournament, it is greatly appreciated. I am pleased to announce we raised \$930.00. **Yours truly, Sheila Riopelle** 

# **PUBLIC RELATIONS**: Did you Know?

There are a number of upcoming fundraising events coming up:

- LA weekly euchre parties, every Wednesday afternoon at 1pm \$5/person, and light lunch served
- Don't forget our weekly meat draws, every Friday afternoon in the Lounge, starting around 3pm tickets are \$2 each, per draw 5 separate draws over the afternoon
- The LA are hosting pulled pork sandwiches, on Friday July 12 and 26 pulled pork sandwich, bag of chips & a drink for \$10
- The Branch is hosting a barbecue, in conjunction with "That Summer Night" by the Renfrew BIA on Thursday July 18 Bacon-on-a-bun, \$6, 4-8pm
- We are hosting a fun darts afternoon, on Sunday, July 28 registration is 12-12:45, with play starting at 1pm. Registration is \$15/person come out for a fun afternoon of darts and meet some new friends!
- Saturday, August 3 LA Pancake breakfast, 8:30-11am, \$10 adults, and \$5 kids
- There will be a fun darts afternoon, on Sunday, August 25 registration is 12-12:45, with play starting at 1pm. Registration is \$15/person.
- Monday, September 9 Renfrew Legion Seniors are starting for another season come in and play darts from 1-4pm another great way to meet new friends!

We are also still paying off our new furnaces, and any donations would be appreciated to assist in paying off this expense. If you would like to volunteer a few hours to assist the Branch, please contact the Office and leave your name. Please contact the office at 613-432-6450 to let us know you are able to assist. If you know of any high-school students looking for volunteer hours, please let us know by contacting the office. If you have any ideas for any fundraisers, we would love to hear from you!

Please keep our monthly calendars handy for information, and feel free to review our Facebook page (Royal Canadian Legion Br. 148 Renfrew) or our website (<a href="www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca">www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca</a>) for current information. If you have an email address, please provide it to the Office so that you may be added to our email lists.

\*\*Debbie McDermid\*, PRO\*\*

July 2024								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
	1 CANADA DAY BEAUMONT HAMEL (1916)	2	Hall: LA Cards,	4	<b>5</b> Weekly Meat Draw, 3pm, Lounge	Entertainment: Lorne Daley & Ricochet Riders, 3-7pm		
7 CANADA CEASES COMBAT IN AFGHANISTAN (2011)	8 Executive, 7pm	9	Hall: LA Cards,	11	Meekly Meat Draw, 3pm, Lounge  LA Meal, 3-6pm – Pulled Pork sandwich, with a bag of chips & a drink, \$10	Entertainment: Lock Stock & Barrel, 3-7pm		
14	15	16 Hall: Foot Care Clinic	Hall: LA Cards,	18 Legion BBQ, 4- 8pm – bacon-on- a-bun, \$6.00	<b>19</b> Weekly Meat Draw, 3pm, Lounge	Hall: Stag & Doe Entertainment: Pitch Black, 3- 7pm		
21	22	23	24 Hall: LA Cards, 1pm	25	26 VIMY UNVEILING (1936) Weekly Meat Draw, 3pm, Lounge  LA Meal, 3-6pm - Pulled Pork sandwich, with a bag of chips & a drink, \$10	27 KOREAN WAR ARMISTAICE (1953) Entertainment: Murray Langford & The Valley Junction, 3-7pm		
<b>28</b> Fun Darts afternoon in Hall, 1pm	29	<b>30</b> Hall: Foot Care Clinic	Hall: LA Cards,	NO GENERAL MEETING THIS MONTH  NO L.A. MEETING THIS MONTH				