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# **MISSILE**

Official Newsletter of Cobourg Legion Br#133













### **Presidents Report**

Good day comrades.

November was a busy month.

I had the honour of dropping the face off puck for the Cobourg Cougars on November 8 th for Remembrance Day.

Remembrance Day ceremony and dinner was a great success. The parade had a good turn out to march and the attendees at the cenotaph were more than I can remember in a very long time.

A thank you to all of our volunteers that went out for poppy tagging, organizing the parade and the ceremony. Thank you Ladies Auxiliary for a fantastic meal for the veteran's dinner.

The banquet hall is staying busy with a lot of bookings.

Remember that the key to success is the three C's, Cooperation, Collaboration and Communication. If we can achieve that, we will be very successful.

Thank you so much to all of our Branch and Ladies Auxiliary volunteers who put in numerous hours to better the Legion.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any question, concerns or complaints.

In comradeship, Rod Ingersoll President

Cobourg Branch 133

# Club Room **Bar Hours:**

Monday and Friday 1:00pm - 11:00pm Wednesday 1:00pm - 9:00pm Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 1pm - 6:00pm Sundays 12:00pm - 6:00pm

\*The Clubroom opens early for Cards, Darts and Pool

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Once again, our Ladies Auxiliary have had a busy November with catering events, Poppy tagging, Remembrance Day & fund raising (Craft Sale & Cheese order).

This would not be possible without the determination & dedicated work ethics of our membership. Be proud of all these accomplishments, as without our team, the branch would find it tough to

At the Veterans Dinner, November 11, Ladies Auxiliary President- Normalee Teskey presented to President- Rod Ingersoll cheques in amount of \$7,500.00 to Branch 133 & additional cheque of \$700.00 from the Happy Gang towards the burglary fund.

I attended the Alderville Remembrance Day service on November 6 and the Cobourg Remembrance Day Service laying a wreath representing the Ladies Auxiliary.

A group of Ladies Auxiliary and Branch members worked together to decorate the Auditorium and Club Room in preparation for the holiday season. It does look very festive.

Our yearly Craft Sale on November 18th and Cheese fund-raiser during the month was a great success. Thank you to Judy Elliott and Shelly Thompson for organizing the Craft Sale and to Aldene Cooper for organizing the Cheese fund-raiser.

Another Sunday Brunch occurred on the November 26th and are hopeful for another successful event.

The Ladies Auxiliary will host a Bake Sale during the Ham & Turkey Draw on December 8 & 9th. Ladies Auxiliary members, your baked good donations are most appreciated.

December Events & convenors covering the events follows;

December 5-Harbour View -Judy Elliott

December 7- Access Dinner-Aldene Cooper

December 8-Chemco Buffet-Marion Switzer

December 9-Post/Wheatbix Dinner-Judy Elliott

December 13-Over 55 Luncheon-Nancy Turpin & Michelle Mallory

December 14-Happy Gang Dinner-Aldene Cooper

December 15-Visual Impaired Luncheon-Yolande Mckinnon

It is appreciated that our members reach out to convenors to assist in these commitments. Please reach out to the convenors if you are able to assist in any of the above mentioned events.

Our meetings dates are different for January due to holidays.

January 2-LA Executive Meeting , January 8-LA General Meeting , January 11-Joint Branch & LA meeting  $\,$ 

Best Wishes for a wonderful and joyous holiday season to you and your family.

Happy New Year and may it be filled with great health and prosperity.

In Comradeship,

survive.

Normalee Teskey- President of Ladies Auxiliary, RCL Br # 133 Cobourg

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## Secretary

We have been working hard behind the scenes to be able to get an email list up and running

and be able to reach out to our members in a more efficient way.

Make sure you don't miss out on information and what's happening about the legion!

Be sure to give us your email address, by emailing the secretary at office@cobourglegion.ca with your name and membership number, or update when renewing your membership.

Janet Kyle Secretary

#### **Lotteries and Licenses**

The Loonie Draw is picking again. As of Saturday November 25 th the pot was not won and is now sitting at \$771.00

Please only purchase one ticket per week. For snowbirds, we do not sell tickets in advance as it effects the licensing periods. If you wish to enter the weekly draw, give your friends the money to purchase weekly tickets.

Remember to have your ticket (purchase at the bar) in the box by 4pm on Saturday!
Good Luck!!

The Annual Ham and Turkey Christmas Draw is on December 8 th and 9 th

Come bring your friends (remember members can sign in up to 6 guests), and enjoy a social evening at 5pm on Friday the 8 th, or afternoon at 3pm on Saturday 9th for the annual Turkey and Ham Draw, while supporting the Legion and Community Charities, and maybe go home with a Turkey or a Ham!

Loonie Draw November Opening Balance Nov 1st \$140.00

Nov 4th \$140.00

Nov 11th \$132.00

Nov 18th \$160.00

Nov 25th \$168.00

Closing Balance \$771.00

No Winner

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Happy December Comrades,

In November 40 new members were approved at the General meeting on November 16th. Of those, three were transfers and one was a reinstatement. Of the 36 new members 26 of them were initiated at the General meeting that evening. It's been a very busy year again for membership with 929 current active members and still a month to go for membership renewals for 2023. All told that adds up to 1,010 registered members for Cobourg Branch 133!

As there is no General meeting in December, our next initiation will be at our General meeting in January on the 3rd Thursday of the month as usual, that's the 18th, so mark it in your calendars!

Also, at our November meeting our October Early Bird winner was drawn, and congratulations goes out to Larry Smith who has won his membership for 2025!

The November Early Bird prize will be drawn sometime in December, perhaps at our special Christmas Meat draw!

Best regards, Comrade Pat Long Membership Chair Meat Draw Report October

**FRIDAY** 

SATURDAY

3rd \$646.00

4th \$900.00

10th \$781.00 11th \$0.00

17th \$873.25 18th \$1429.00

24th \$770.00

25th \$923.00

Total \$3070.25

Total \$3252.00

\$6322.25
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Total Expenses for November \$3152.31

Net Profit \$3169.94 (Legion gets Half)



THE CALENDAR

As I sit at my desk and look out of the window, it looks rather drab. It is raining and blowing but not snowing. Things could always be worse than what they actually are, it could be snowing and blowing as in fact it is doing not too far away. After all, believe it or not, we are in the later part of November, honestly, it's true, Check your calendar. In a few more days, I will begin preparing to write "THE KING FAMILY LETTER". This is a tradition we have maintained for many years and it is an annual review of our year that goes out to family and friends. The first step in preparing, is making a review of the outgoing year. In last December's MISSILE, I reminded you that the new year 2023 would bring you 365 brand new days and opportunities to do good things in and for YOUR LEGION. How'd that go for you?

Maybe 2023 was the year you planned to do something special or maybe get something done. How'd that go for you? So, maybe you just didn't have time to do that special thing or get that project done and as you look at your calendar you realize, it is not going to happen this year. Check your calendar. For you a gift in 2024, an extra day (Feb 29) use it well.

As we reflect on the outgoing year we might also ponder the possibilities of the New Year.

Maybe this will be the year you might volunteer to help running our Legion. There is a job you can do. Maybe you will take advantage of the many activities going on at the Branch.

The more you support the Branch the more we can support our Veterans and their loved ones and that comrades, is what we are all about. Check your calendar and plan some time for the branch. Gosh! As I check my calendar, I see it is time to wish all of you a very HAPPY CHRISTMAS and a WONDERFUL NEW YEAR.

Chaplain Art.



## Meat Draws

EVERY FRIDAY @ 5PM AND SATURDAY @ 3PM

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS
TO HELP WITH THE
DRAWS. SIGN UP
CALENDARS ARE IN THE
CLUB ROOM





## Sgt at Arms

As expected, November was going to be a busy month. On the 6th we had a visit from Minister Michael Parsa who spoke to members regarding the Soldiers Aid Commision. This is an organization that can and does assist veterans in need.

On the morning of Sunday 5th November, I was involved with the Royal Marines Association Remembrance Service along with Comrade Chris Devlin (our Bugler) at the Cobourg Cenotaph. The Association was celebrating our 50th anniversary.

Later, on Sunday 5th November the Colour Party along with the Ladies Auxilary, Bewdley Colour Party and our own Branch 133 Pipe Band participated in the Alderville Remembrance Service. Chief Simpson led the service and explained the meaning of the Cenotaph. It is a very unique structure and each piece has a story. Afterwards we were invited to the community center for lunch and made very welcome.

On Thursday 9th in the morning the Colour Party attended a Remembrance Service at the Golden Plough retirement residence. Led by our own Reverand Art King we enjoyed a short service with a number of residents. Later in the afternoon Comrade Don Ramsey and myself visited the VON on Darcy Street. We enjoyed some informal chats with some of the people who meet there. One of the ladies was a WW2 vet and shared some of her experiences with us.

On Friday 10th November the Colour Party was parading again at Legion Village for their Remembrance Service. The Vicar was a young chap who was standing in at the last minute but gave a heart felt service. Again, the Colour Party was very appreciated.

Saturday November 11th was Remembrance Day. The Parade formed up outside the Legion at 10:00 hrs. We stepped off at 10:15, 120 strong. Led by our Pipe Band down the Church Street where we wheeled into the Cenotaph. It was quite a crowd and we had some difficulty getting to our spots. Regardless MC Jay Bevan and our Padre Art King led the service which was appreciated by all. Upon completion we formed up on McGill Street and marched back to the Legion. During the afternoon we enjoyed entertainment from the ladies 'Abzolut' choir in the clubroom. Later in the evening the Colour Party participated in the Remembrance Dinner where the Colours were paraded prior to the meal.

A very busy but worthwhile few weeks.

The Colour Party are always looking for new member's . Men and Women are all welcome. You will require a Legion uniform which consists of Beret, white shirt and Legion tie, blazer, grey flannels and black shoes.

Anyone interested please contact the Sgt At Arms, (Ian Kyle).

Ian Kyle (Sgt At Arms)

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1pm LA Darts

6:30pm Trivia

1pm Majhong

1pm LA Darts

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27

1pm Canasta

26

6:30pm Mixed

Darts

5pm Meat Draw

6:30pm Mixed

**Darts** 

5pm Meat Draw

1pm Drop in

Cards

28

23

3pm Meat Draw

## Clubroom Calendar

Mixed

**Fun Darts** 

1pm Open

Mic

24

31

Darts

7pm Men's Darts

12pm 55 Club

Darts

7pm Men's Darts

25

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