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## **President's Report**

As we entered September, we were busy arranging Legion week with a Bus trip, Wine and Cheese Tasting, BBQ lunch and a steak BBQ. I hope that you were able to attend one of these events, as they were all a sell out and a great success! Thankyou to everyone to helped make Legion Week a huge success!

As Fall approaches, and the summer comes to a close, it is great to see so many faces returning to the Branch and sharing each others' stories and tall tales.

We were able to be present for the Drumhead service in Bewdley, and it was a great turn out by all. You may see a film crew around the Legion over the next month or so, In conjunction with Bell Fibe TV, there will a be a 10-part series made *Legion of Honour* about the Cobourg Legion, its veterans, and what the Legion does in and around the Branch and for the community.

October is ramping up to yet be another busy month with coffee mornings, fish 'n' chips, Trivia weekly and a monthly session, monthly crib tournaments, Honours and Awards, and of course First Friday issuing the 1<sup>st</sup> Poppy. Check out the calendar for a full list of events and timings.

Did you purchase a Remembrance Banner in memory of a loved one? I am looking forward to having a walk through our town to see all the Banners hung during the month of November. We will let you know when they are hung.

And talking of Poppy, the Poppy sign up boards are up, so please remember your oath to The Royal Canadian Legion and come and sign up for an hour to support the Poppy Campaign.

Yours in Comradeship  
Janet Kyle  
President



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## DECORATING COMMITTEE REPORT SEPTEMBER 2024

First off, for those that are unaware the Decorating Committee are members charged with the collection, procurement, care and display of artifacts that represent our military history and heritage.

This month Comrade Chris Barker had some very unique prints donated of WW2 Canadian aircraft in action.

Next, I had the pleasure to meet Carol King, daughter of the late Col King who was a local teacher and member of the Cobourg Battery during WW2. Carol was visiting from Australia and donated some artifacts which will be on display soon. Due to the lack of storage, I only have room for limited items but will try and accept what we can from members donating memorabilia. Please, no DEU's.

As I am involved with home renovations after moving it will be a week or 2 before I can continue displaying new items. Along with this each item is recorded and when possible, a donation sheet filled out. This way we have an inventory of all our items.

This ends my report.

Yours in comradeship  
Ian Kyle



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## ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE REPORT OCTOBER 2024

September has taken off like a rocket for the entertainment committee. After a great deal of planning and effort the following events were held.

Legion week was from the 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> of September. This is a week to promote the Legion and our Branch. On the 14<sup>th</sup> about 40 members enjoyed a lively bus trip to the Hastings and Norwood Legions. We enjoyed lunch and a meat draw in Norwood and some more excellent company in Norwood. For any of you interested Norwood has a very interesting museum upstairs. Thank you to Comrade Jo Upton for planning and organizing this event along with bus bingo!

We held a Wine tasting on September 15<sup>th</sup> along with an outstanding charcuterie prepared by Jennifer and Nancy Robison. This was a very well-attended event with 40 plus wine connoisseurs. Music was provided by Michael Tremblay.

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon, we held a BBQ of Sausages and Hamburgers plus salads etc. This was well attended by over 50 people, and everyone commented on how much they enjoyed the event. Thanks to Comrade Jennifer Robison for being chef as well as helping prepare the food and all our volunteers.

For the end of Legion week, the branch held a steak BBQ. The cost was \$20 which included an 8 oz steak, onions, mushrooms, salads and dessert. Over 75 tickets were sold and every member left us with more very positive comments. Again, thanks to Jennifer Robison and all our volunteers for giving up their time to make this another enjoyable event.

As well as the events our branch now has Veterans Coffee mornings at 10:00 hrs. In October dates are the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Also present will be the President and Veteran Service Officer if any members, widows, veterans have questions.

Along with events mentioned, the Branch also hosts different Darts Leagues, various games cards, Mahjong, Snooker etc. Please check the calendar.

Starting in October the Branch will be offering Fish and Chips on the first Friday of each month.

Like all committees we are always welcome to any new volunteers to assist with events. The more help, the lighter the load for everyone. If anyone has suggestions or ideas for entertainment, please write your comments and put them in the suggestion box by the office.

This ends my report.

Ian Kyle



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## Ladies Auxiliary October 2024 Missile Report

Hello Comrades,

Wow, what a lovely and warm September month. I hope you were able to enjoy.

The Ladies Auxiliary members have been keeping busy with start up of many games, catering functions and various meetings.

Ladies Auxiliary, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Janet Richardson attended a cheque presentation at NHH. The LA are looking to have members participate in "Honors & Awards" committee for nominees and selecting for the various service awards. If interested, please reach out to an Executive member.

The LA Craft Sale scheduled for November 16. The LA have 3 tables reserved (2 for baked goods & 1 for homemade crafts). Your donated goods for this event is most appreciated. Please let your personal contacts be made aware of the sale and table rental cost is \$50.00 for 1 table or 2 for \$75.00.

Reminder that your membership payment is due for your name to be entered into the Early Bird Draw. Please make arrangements with Yolande McKinnon for payment of dues.

The LA Christmas Party has been scheduled for Saturday, December 14 and tickets will soon be available for purchase.

Poppy Tagging is October 31, November 1 & 2. Please remember your oath and sign up for tagging. The Tagging Boards will be in the hallway for scheduling time slots and location. In addition, much help will be required for Kitchen staff over the course of the Poppy Tagging days. Your assistance is most appreciated.

### October 2024 Events ---

4-Family Health Team 12:30-2:00PM (Convenor-Normalee Teskey)

10-Visually Blind 2:30PM-4:00PM (Convenor-Judy Elliott)

16-Over 55 Luncheon 12:00-3:00PM (Convenor-Jan Bradford & Michelle Mallory)

19-Engagement Party-8:00-12PM (Convenor-Pat Griffin)

24-ACO Cobourg 12:00-4:00PM (Convenor-Diane McPhee)

25-Ostomy Support 12:45PM-3:00PM (Convenor-Marion Switzer)

26-50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary 1:00-5:00PM (Convenor-Nancy Turpin)

28-MS Meeting 9:00AM (Convenor-Aldene Cooper)

31- November 1 & 2 --Poppy Tagging-Kitchen Help required

Please reach out to the above mentioned convenors or sign up at the General meeting to assist on those dates. We do appreciate you getting in touch to assist.

### Upcoming Events Notice

General Meeting Tuesday October 7 @ 7:00PM

Poppy Tagging October 31, November 1 & 2

Craft Sale Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

LA Christmas Party, December 14

In Comradeship

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



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**Membership report – No report available at time of distribution – October 2, 2024 (JF)**



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**September 2024.**

On Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> we had our first day back at playing darts. It was so great seeing everyone again after our summer break. It is not if we win or lose, it's all about the fun and believe me, we have some great laughs. High score was made by Art with a 100 score. We also have a 50/50 draw at darts and our luncheons. Our first winner of the 50/50 at darts was Sharon, of \$27.00 and on September 16<sup>th</sup> the winner of \$31.00 was Judy. High score was made by Kathy with a score of 95 on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are over 55 and interested in joining us for a few hours on Monday afternoon's, we have 4 spots open, please come by. Games start at 1:00pm, \$2.00 for 3 games.

On September 18<sup>th</sup> we had our first monthly lunch. We get together every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month in the banquet hall at the Legion at noon. We had ham, scallop potatoes, a vegetable and cheesecake for dessert all served by the Ladies Auxiliary. It was delicious. Then we had our meeting followed by fun games of bingo. Our first winner of the 50/50 draw was John of \$41.00. We also have a door prize, and the winner was Bonnie, with a gift card of \$25.00 We also celebrated 8 birthdays for the month of September and had 5 birthdays in the month of August. Each person who attended received a cupcake for their special day.

If all of this sounds like something you would be interested in, our membership is only \$20 for the full year. Our lunches only \$15 every month. Come join the fun....

Communication officer: Judy Turk



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## Padre - **WE'RE BACK**

Last month, I told you about the cruise we were about to embark on. We boarded the ship at Montreal, spent a day at Quebec City, Baie Comeau, Havre St. Pierre-, Cornerbrook Nfld, St. Anthony, St. John's, Halifax Ns, a day at sea, Portland Maine USA and disembarked in Boston at the conclusion of the ten-day cruise. Now we're BACK. (and broke).

While in Cornerbrook, we visited Legion branch 13 where we were made very welcome. Branch 13 put on a Screech in ceremony in which Pam and I took part and became Honorary Newfoundlanders with certificates as well Bye.

Now Summer has left us and Fall is upon us. That means a lot of stuff is BACK. What terrific Legion week we just had at the branch. Wine tasting, barbecue and an amazing steak dinner. If you have been away from the branch for a while, Come BACK and enjoy some of the many activities and support the branch.

Also BACK; We are open every day again now. With Fall also comes BACK the monthly general meeting, third Thursday 7:30 pm. This is where you hear what all is going on at the branch. If you have not attended for a while, come on BACK.

Did you know about the F2 Zone Drumhead service held in Bewdley on September 22 nd? It was a spectacular array of Colours and a wonderful Occasion. Kudos Bewdley for hosting so well. Check out the upcoming events and you might even like to volunteer some time to help around the branch. Please do sign up to tag for the upcoming POPPY CAMPAIGN.  
'Til next time.



CHAPLAIN ART



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This year's poppy campaign will start on Friday, October 25th. The tagging boards will be up in the clubroom for tagging days (Oct 31st, Nov 1st and 2nd) please remember to sign up all we ask for is one hour of your time. We will also be looking for a number of volunteers for other jobs. If you are interested, please reach out. Below is a list of some of the things we will need help with.

#### **Poppy Volunteer Jobs**

- Poppy Box route drivers
- Tagging day helpers
- Money counters
- Nov 11th Helpers
- Wreath sorters

Please watch our social media and chimp mail for more information in the coming weeks.

Jennifer Robison

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## SGT AT ARMS REPORT

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September has seen the pace picking up. On September 7<sup>th</sup> I attended the Veterans Service Officer

training at the Peterborough Legion along with our President and comrades Don Ramsey and John Aikens. The following day we were in Peterborough again for the Poppy seminar.

At short notice the President and myself attended a service for the Battle of Britain held at the Cobourg Cenotaph on September 15<sup>th</sup>. This was organized by the Air Cadets and attended by all the Cadet Corps. A very well organized and executed service.

The Branch General meeting was held on Thursday 19 with our Colour Party in attendance.

On Saturday 22 September I attended the Sgt at Arms training in Bewdley. This was followed by our

annual Drumhead Service outside the Bewdley Legion.

The Drumhead service is a tradition going back to the 1700's. When the troops were in the field there was no church or chapel available. The practice was for the Band to march up and pile their drums. The Colours (flags) were then marched up and placed on the drums. The padre would conduct the service using the piled drums as a makeshift altar. Upon completion the colours were collected by the Colour Party and the drums recovered by the drummers.

Upon completion of the Drumhead service, we all headed straight back to Cobourg for the celebration of life for comrade Don Ashfield who was a former member of the Colour party and also the commander.

I am looking for members who would like to be part of our Colour Party. Training will be provided.

The Colour Party is an icon of the Royal Canadian Legion and takes part in events such as Canada Day parade, Remembrance Day and the Christmas Parade.

If you are concerned with the cost, you can sometimes find donated blazers on the coat rack. If not, the Charity stores will have them as well as grey flannels for a fraction of the price of a new one.

Berets, badges etc. can be purchased from the Branch kit shop.

This is my report

Ian Kyle. Sgt At arms.



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**Sports are starting up again please watch the sports board for signup sheets. All sheets will be taken down 2 weeks before the event. Anyone playing must have 2025 dues paid in full and be able to play in all rounds. The branch helps cover costs for these events below is a breakdown of what we pay.**

**Zone - Half the entry fee**

**District - Entry fee**

**Provincial - Entry fee and \$150 per 2 players toward one night hotel accommodation depending on where the tournament is being held.**

**Playing in legion sports is a great way to meet new people and if you win a round out branch will get to host the next year.**

**Jen Robison**



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### Toonie Darts

Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>, we had our first games of Toonie darts. What a fun time. We had an attendance of 13 people. Bill Jenkins won for highest score of 125.

If you would like something to do every other Sunday at 1:00 please come join us. Only \$2.00 for a fun filled afternoon.

#### Dates:

- Sept.29.
- Oct. 13.
- Oct. 27.
- Nov.10.
- Nov. 24.
- Dec 8.

More games to follow after Christmas....



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**Ways and Means Report – September**



**Loonie Draw**

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Loonie Draw. It is held Saturdays at 4pm.

For more info, reach out to Janet at [905-372-2231](tel:905-372-2231)

At the General Meeting it was voted on and passed that the Loonie draw will be increasing to a Toonie Draw. This will take effect once the current license expires around the end of November. This will mean the Pot will grow much faster! Remember that when you purchase your ticket at the Bar, you must put your name as on your membership card and your phone number.

Date	Money in	Winner	Balance
September	\$437.00	None	\$507.00



**Meat Draw**

Did you miss the last training session but want to help, please ask when the next one will be. Contact Janet [905-372-2231](tel:905-372-2231)

Amount in	Meat Expense	Profit
\$7265.75	\$3770.30	\$3495.45

Do you enjoy the meat draw? We are always looking for volunteers, I will hold another info session soon, so keep your eyes and ears open for a date and time.

Janet Kyle



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### Club Room Bar Hours

#### As of September 15<sup>th</sup> – Regular hours:

- Monday: 11:00 to 10:00
- Tuesday: 11:00 to 6:00
- Wednesday: 11:00 to 10:00
- Thursday: 11:00 to 7:00
- Friday: 11:00 to 11:00
- Saturday: 11: to 8:00
- Sunday: 11:00 to 5:00

Don't forget while you're enjoying the clubroom, to also enjoy some snacks, play the always popular Nevada tickets and tip our own hard-working Buddha and sweet Grace! AND pop

those can pop tops for the wheelchair fund! 😊





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## CALENDAR