

# **MISSILE**

Official Newsletter of Cobourg Legion Br#133

## **Presidents Report**

Fall seems to have arrived, but I enjoy looking at the Bright Fall Colours, and always gives me a warm cozy feeling inside. It's that same feeling we like to give our members and guests at the Branch. If you see someone new, go out of your way and say hello and introduce yourself and put a smile on someone's face and give them a warm cozy feeling.

Have you taken the time to walk through our downtown to view the many banners lining our streets honoring past and present veterans? Take time to take a stroll whether it's a block, a street, or to view all of the banners. It is such a moving tribute from family members to recognise our veterans.

Our coffee morning this month we were also able to recognise 3 of our very own veterans as they were presented with Quilts of Valour. These beautiful pieces of art are made with love to give warmth and comfort to our veterans.

Are you a quilter or sewer and interest in being part of a group to help with this project? Please reach out to me if you are interested, and we could possibly start a group here for this wonderful project!

October 31st LA President Janet Richardson and I will be presenting the First Poppy to Mayor Cleveland, and this kicks off the Poppy Campaign. Don't forget to sign up for the poppy tagging. Boards are in the Branch.

At the Branch we have poppy catalogue items for sale, or if you wish to place an order from the catalogue, we can order it for you and you will not pay any shipping! Just another way you can show your support.

AS you check your November calendar on the back of the Missile, you can see it's another busy month with new additions.

Tuesday Afternoons at 1:30pm will be Ladies Snooker, or Pool or any billiards games. Ladies you asked for this, so come on out and support.

Some of you may have noticed we have a shuffleboard! Come out Friday afternoons and play with other team mates between 2 and 4pm.

Keep bringing forward your ideas and suggestions!

Janet Kyle

# Club Room **Bar Hours:**

**Monday 12-10** Tuesday 12-6 Wednesday 12-10 Thursday 12-6 Friday 11-11 Saturday 12-6 Sunday 12-5

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## **Ladies Auxilliary Report**

Here it is November and what a grand warm fall we have had. Our Ladies though have been very busy with several catering and fundraising events.

Our LA hosted Zone Single/Double Darts on September 4 for a great turn out and a long day of play. Congratulations to the winners.

A Roast Beef dinner on October 19 was well attended & successful, as well the October Friday Fry days.

Early Bird membership is in full swing, bring your card & dues to have your name in the draw for free year dues. Please see/contact Yolande McKinnon.

The yearly LA Craft & Bake Sale is scheduled for Saturday, November 15 (10:00AM-4:00PM). Seeking Vendors (1st table \$50.00/2nd \$25.00). Contact Janet Richardson 905-375-8532, or email:jayandjanetrichardson@gmail.com for further information.

Please reserve time to prepare yummy baked goods for the Bake Sale.

The LA Cheese Fundraiser is scheduled for November with orders needing to be submitted by December 1<sup>st</sup> and delivery of December 11. Please check the posters for details or reach out to LA member to retrieve order forms. Get you cheese for the festive season.

LA Drop In Darts, Wednesdays effective September 17, 1:00PM is open to all ladies & levels. Membership is not a requirement to play fun darts.

Cribbage signup sheets are up in Club Room until December 8.

November 2025 Catering Events (Unfortunately our Executive meeting is scheduled after the Missile submission due date & perhaps all events may not be listed. Please check the Facebook page for updates)

November 6,7 & 8-Poppy Tagging (Kitchen Help Sign up Sheets are in kitchen on Bulletin board)

11-Rememberance Day Dinner

13-Visually Blind (2:30-4:00PM)

19-Over 55 (12 Noon)

24-MS Group (10:00AM-Noon)

28-Ostomy Group (12:45-3:00 PM)

Please reach out to a convenor or sign up at the General meeting to assist on the dates provided. It is most appreciated when you reach out to assist.

**Upcoming Events Notices:** 

General Meeting: Monday November 3 @ 7:00PM Executive Meeting: Monday November 24 @ 6:30PM

Poppy Tagging-November 6,7 & 8

LA Craft Sale-Saturday November 15

LA Christmas Luncheon-Saturday December 20

LA Birthday Dinner-March 14'2026

In Comradeship, Normalee Teskey- 1st Vice President of Ladies Auxiliary, RCL Br # 133 Cobourg

## **Cobourg Legion Pipes and Drums**

The most important date in the band calendar will soon be upon us. November 11 is Remembrance Day, and as such our principal reason for being. We begin our recognition with a service in Alderville at the Alderville First Nation Cenotaph mid-day on Sunday, November 9. Long a tradition with this band, each year we contribute to honouring the memory of First Nations men and women who served their country in WWI, WWII, Korea and in peace keeping duties. First unveiled in 1927, it has always been a monument of considerable concrete and symbolic significance, and the focus of a day and a service that we look forward to supporting.

November 11 in Coburg will unfold as it always has at the Cenotaph in Victoria Park. We will play the parade from the Orr St. Legion, along King Street and into Victoria Park, assembling at the monument to honour and remember the fallen of so many wars and peace keeping missions throughout the world. It is the most important of our Branch 133 Pipes and Drums playing engagements.

November offers another opportunity to remember and celebrate our veterans. The pipes and drums held the first Highway of Heroes Concert in 2019, to considerable public appreciation. It is now time to offer it again. On Sunday, November 8, the CLP&D, in conjunction with the Concert Band of Cobourg, will present their Highway of Heroes Tribute Concert, An Afternoon of Musical Reflection. Bringing together the skills of both bands, and featured solo artists, the music and readings will focus on, and feature, recognition of our military personnel, those we remember for their historic service, those who have served recently in our armed forces, and those who continue to serve the defence and security needs of our nation. Separately and together, the programme of military band music, the pipes and drums, soloists and readings will engage concert goers and set the stage for our local Remembrance Day observations in Alderville and in Cobourg. Proceeds from the concert, via donations at the door, will go to the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 133, Poppy Fund. Cobourg and area residents are encouraged to mark on their calendars November 8, 2:00pm, at Trinity United Church, 284 Division Street, Cobourg, for an afternoon of Remembrance Day musical refection.

The balance of November becomes a series of appearances at a number of Santa Claus Parades in the area. November 16, Newcastle, November 21, Brighton, November 22, Colborne, November 29, Frankford and Cobourg. It is our hope that balmy weather will bless us throughout the month.

Ian McFarlane

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### **Padre**

Greetings Comrades,

Some of you may know that as well as bring Branch 133 Chaplain, I also serve as Zone F2 Chaplain, a post I have held for six years. So what does a Zone Chaplains do? For this month's fireside read. I have shared my report to F2 Fall convention, held in Port hope on October 21st. Enjoy;

Back in the day, the British Royal Navy had the slogan; "Join the Navy and see the world". If you are involved with The Royal Canadian Legion, there are opportunities for travel too.

Since our gathering last April, my Legion travels have taken me to Trenton for The District Convention. These events are inspiring occasions where we hear of the great work our organization does, in so many branches.

In May we raised the bar and ventured to London, (Ontario that is) for the four day Ontario Command 53rd Biennial Convention. Mingling with over 300 Ontario branches is amazing. The theme was "Celebrating the Past and embracing the Future"

July the journey took me all the way from Branch 133 to Branch 580 for the "Back to Basics" training seminar. Again back to Grafton in September, to be a part of the annual Zone F2 Drumhead service.

Grafton did a top notch job putting this event together. I app recited the participation of Grafton Chaplains, The Rev. Jean Wilson and Major Dan Broome.

Have you ever been to Winnipeg ?Coming August 2026; Dominion Convention.

So if your part of the Legion, you can really get to go places.

Happy travels.

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



### 1st Vice President

November Newsletter Report<sup>t</sup>

As we move into November, the "Ember" months are in full swing, and there's lots happening around the branch — especially with this year's Poppy Campaign already underway.

#### **Poppy Campaign**

This year's campaign kicked off with the presentation of the first poppy to the Mayor and the flag raising ceremony at the branch on Oct 31st. Followed by Poppy being placed in local stores throughout the community.

Tagging Days will take place on November 6th, 7th, and 8th. Sign up Today! If you need a ride to or from the branch for tagging, please contact me — we'll make sure you have transportation arranged.

#### Remembrance Day - November 11th

Our Remembrance Day Parade and Service in the Park will begin with the parade forming up and marching off from the branch at 10:15 a.m. That evening, we will host our Annual Remembrance Day Dinner at the branch.

- Tickets: \$25.00 (available at the bar)
- Free for: Veterans, widows/widowers, and their spouse or caregiver
- Cocktails: 4:30 p.m.
- Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

We hope to see many of you join us for this meaningful day of remembrance and community.

#### **Poster & Literary Contests**

The deadline for poster and literary contest submissions is November 11th, with judging on November 13th.

#### Volunteers Needed

We're always looking for volunteers to assist with the Poppy Campaign and Remembrance Day events. If you'd like to help, please reach out — your participation makes a difference.

Let's all remember our commitment to active participation in the Poppy Campaign and the spirit of remembrance that unites us this month.

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### **Over 55**

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> we had 3 great games of darts. Highest score was won by LoisAnne with a score of 118. Congratulations Lois Anne.

The winner of the 50/50 was won by Carol of \$32.00.

On September 29<sup>th</sup> we had another great day of darts. The highest score was won by Rick with a score of 118. Great job Rick.

The 50/50 was won by John of \$37.00 Congratulations John.

On October 6<sup>th</sup> we had another fun day of darts. The highest score was won by Bill with a score of 162. Wow... congratulations Bill.

The 50/50 was won by Heather of \$37.00

On October 13<sup>th</sup> we had no darts due to Thanksgiving.

Our Over 55 luncheon was held on October 15<sup>th</sup> at noon. We had meatloaf, mashed potatoes and peas, and coleslaw. We also had apple or pumpkin pie for dessert and of course tea and coffee all served by the Ladies Auxiliary.

The 50/50 was won by Helen of \$30.00. We also had a door prize of \$25.00 won by Marg. We celebrated 10 birthdays for the month of October. Each person who attended the luncheon received a cupcake for their special day. We had our meeting then enjoyed a few games of bingo

We also had a trivia game for everyone to figure out. The winners were table 4 with 9 correct answers.

We have 3 spots open to play darts, so if you are a Legion Member, you are welcome to join us on Monday afternoons at 1:00pm, \$2.00 for the afternoon.

Next luncheon will be November 19th

#### TOONIE DARTS (every other Sunday)

We have started our fall and spring toonie darts. We get together every other Sunday at 1:00pm at the Legion for a fun afternoon of darts. We started on September 7<sup>th</sup> with Sonia getting the highest score of 96. On September 21<sup>st</sup> we had 15 people join us and the highest score was done by Ed of 108. On October 5<sup>th</sup> we had another fun afternoon of darts with 13 people playing. The highest score was won by Judy of 101.

Communications Officer, Judy Turk

## Membership

The winner of September early bird draw was Nathalie Lederman - Congratulations!!

The early bird campaign is until the end of November so you still have time.

Reminder that we close the office for 2 weeks in December as command does upgrades at this time

Please make sure you carry your plastic card or receipt with you anytime you come into the branch sign in your guests encourage them to join.

Many members have signed up for a digital card - this means you don't get a sticker.

Respectfully submitted Josephine





## **VSO Report**

#### Veterans Services Officer Report

The Royal Canadian Legion advocates for the care, benefits and wellbeing of all Veterans and their families

Nationally, the Legion is actively advocating for a list of measures that, if adopted by Canada's government, will have a positive impact on our Veterans and their families. In addition to national advocacy efforts, the Legion works at the provincial and local levels to advocate for Veterans and their families. Canada's Veterans served to protect the very rights and freedoms we enjoy today; we owe them our commitment to ensure they receive the benefits they need and deserve.

The Royal Canadian Legion firmly believes this country has a solemn obligation owed to our military members. Our key advocacy points are;

- · Veterans Well-being Act
- · Lifelong financial security
- Access to benefits
- Transition to civilian life
- Mental health
- · Military and RCMP families
- · Research and treatment
- Homeless Veterans
- Long-term care
- Seniors
- · Culture and conduct
- Death benefits

Whether you are a legion member or not, if you need assistance accessing any information, always feel free to reach out to me.

In Comradeship,

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Introducing Dianne De Maeyer

New Legion member Dianne De Maeyer, RN, is pleased to announce that she has relocated her foot care business Healthy Habits to her new home town Cobourg.

Di is a Registered Foot Care Specialist, a Certified Reflexologist and registered with Veterans Affairs VIP service. Di has been operating Healthy Habits and soothing feet for 30 years.

If you're looking for a healthier life, think healthy feet.

For an in-home appointment call Dianne at 647-548-7045 or Email: <u>ddemaeyeri@hotmail.com</u> or find her at the Branch 133 during one of the events.



