

# ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 148

Lest We Forget

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## MARCH – APRIL 2019 BRANCH BULLETIN

*"They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will Remember Them."*



### Branch 148 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!

**Saturday, June 15, 2019**

**Tickets: \$12.00/person**

**Roast Beef Dinner**

**Social Hour: 5pm**

**Dinner: 6pm**

**Roast beef, potatoes, carrots, coleslaw,  
dinner roll & dessert**

**Awards: 7pm**

**Dance: 7:30pm, live band**

### **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	4th Wednesday of each month	7:00 p.m.

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

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:** **Comrades.** Spring is just around the corner and daylight saving returns on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Since our last newsletter there has been a change in our Executive Committee. Comrade President Randy has resigned his position due to medical reasons and, as first vice president, I have succeeded to that position. Even though this is new to me I will endeavor to do the best I can to keep the Branch running smoothly. I look forward to the challenge until the new Executive takes over in June. Please **circle** Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> on your calendars as we come together to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the signing of our Charter.

**Bruce Ferguson, President**

**LAST POST:** Our Deepest sympathy is expressed to the families of Ordinary member Comrades J. P. Biard, George Prince, Gerry Fawcett and Ronald O'Brien, and Associate member Comrades Malcom (Max) Briscoe, and Raymond Ciphery.

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If you hear of a member passing away, please contact the office and let the Secretary know. That way we can be sure to include them in the next bulletin.

**SICK & VISITING:** **Bonnechere Manor** - Pat Griese, Mel Scobie, Dan Deslaurier  
**Mirimichi Lodge** - Cecil Code  
**Groves Park Lodge** - Norman Warren  
**At home** - Bernadette Lacourse

**BURSARY:** Provincial Bursary applications are available in the Legion office or online @ [on.legion.ca](http://on.legion.ca) – students must apply for OASP to be considered for a provincial bursary. Applications must be mailed to Ontario Command, deadline date March 29, 2019.

**Ella Box, Bursary Chair**

**WAYS & MEANS:** The Friday meat draws are doing as well as can be expected for this time of year. Thank you to everyone who comes out to support them, it's always great to see new faces coming out. Thank you to our volunteers who help out with the draws. We are always accepting new volunteers to sell 50/50 tickets on Saturday afternoon.

**Richard Fitzsimmons, Ways & Means Chair**

**RENFREW SILVER SENIORS** The Silver Seniors held their Valentine's Dinner and Dance on February 9. Everyone who attended enjoyed themselves. Next up is St. Patrick's Day, which is being celebrated on Thursday, March 14, from 1-4pm. On Sunday, April 28, it's Games Day, which takes place from 1-4pm. Monday afternoons continue to draw a great crowd for darts. New members are always welcome

**Brian Lockhart, Silver Seniors**

**FINANCE:** The RCL Branch 148 has joined many other companies in the Renfrew Area by signing a contract with The Ontario Wholesale Energy. This will save the Legion on both their Hydro and Gas bills monthly. We will find out over the few months exactly what we will be saving.

**Tena Miller, Finance Chair**

**YOUTH EDUCATION:** Remembrance Contest Winners at District Level: Congratulations to Will Howard, 2nd place Intermediate Essay, Renfrew Collegiate Intermediate School, and Payton Fleming, 3<sup>rd</sup> place Junior Poem, St Joseph's School Calabogie.

**BRANCH PUBLIC SPEAKING 2019:** Results of the competition held Sunday February 10, 2019 are as follows:

**Grade 1 – 3:**

1 <sup>st</sup> place Madilyn Doidge Grade 3, Our Lady of Fatima	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Abbigail Proulx Grade 3, Our Lady of Fatima	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Victoria McDonald Grade 3, Central Public
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**Grade 4-6:**

1 <sup>st</sup> place Alexandra Powell Grade 5, St. Thomas	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Clara DiPaolo Grade 4, Central Public	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Maebel Visinski Grade 6, St. Thomas
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**Grade 7-9:**

1 <sup>st</sup> place Wyatt Crozier Grade 7, Renfrew Collegiate Int.	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Andrew Coyne Grade 7, St Thomas	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Lucas Powell Grade 7, St. Thomas
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**Grade 10 – 12:** 1st place Raj Bhattacharya, Grade 10, Renfrew Collegiate Institute

Congratulations to all contestants, 25 students participated in this year's contest. Good Luck to all First place contestants advancing to the Zone competition to be held March 2nd in Eganville at Branch 353. Special thanks to all legion members and Auxiliary members for your assistance. A Huge Thank You to, judges, timekeepers, scrutineers, Ladies Auxiliary for preparing the lunch and everyone who helped make this event a great success. **Ella Box, Youth Education Chair**

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Please see the attached calendars for all event postings. The Legion Lounge Facebook page ("The RCL 148 Legion Lounge") and the Legion website are also a good place to find out what is happening at our branch. **Fran Godin, Entertainment Chair**

**LADIES AUXILIARY:** The Ladies Auxiliary has amended their menu and prices for our luncheons and dinners. Please contact the office should you wish to book a catered luncheon or dinner. **Rose Lafont, LA President**

**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**

**SPORTS:** Saturday March 9 – Zone Euchre, Branch 562 Chalk River  
Saturday, March 16, 2019 – Open Darts, Branch 148 Renfrew – you do not have to be a member to play. This event is open to the general public.  
Saturday, March 30, 2019 – Zone mixed darts, Branch 517 Petawawa  
Saturday, April 13, 2019 – annual Daryl Lecuyer Memorial Dart Tournament – four person teams, \$40/team. Registration 10:00-10:45AM.  
Saturday, June 8, 2019 – Mixed Doubles Tournament for Homeless Veterans

Watch the bulletin board for more information and registration sheets.

**Greg Walbeck, Sports Officer**

**VETERAN'S SERVICES:** 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. She will assist in any way she can. Please feel free to call the Branch or myself at 613-649-2973 if you have any questions. **Bill McLeod, Veteran's Service Officer**

**MEMBERSHIP:** This is just a reminder that Command will be sending out reminders for those members who have not yet paid their 2019 dues. If you have not paid your 2019 dues as of January 31, 2019, you are no longer a member in good standing. Please renew your membership

if you have not yet done so. If you have not yet paid your 2018 dues, please do so to maintain your status as a member in good standing. The membership fee is \$47.00 for the year.

**Brian Lockhart, Membership Chairman**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** The Branch was pleased to welcome Renfrew's youth to our January General meeting.



We were pleased to present a monetary donation to the 653 Champlain Royal Canadian Air Cadets, for their annual assistance with our poppy campaign, and also to congratulate our local youth, who were successful at the Zone level of the National Remembrance Day contest.

The Branch has two Facebook pages – one for the Branch, and one for the Lounge – and both are updated regularly with various happenings at the Branch. If you are on Facebook, please like both pages for up-to-date information on our Branch: The RCL 148 Legion Lounge and Royal Canadian Legion Br. 148 Renfrew. You can also access our webpage, at [www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca](http://www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca).

**Debbie McDermid, PRO**

**LEGISLATION, CONSTITUTION & LAWS:** Zone G7 is in the process updating their By-Laws, recommendations to be considered at the upcoming Zone Convention. Legion General By-Laws have been amended to December 2018, booklets are available in the Legion office for reference or purchase. Amendments include all resolutions adopted at the Dominion convention.

**Ella Box, By-Laws**

**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT:** Reminder: this is election year for all levels, Zone, District & Provincial. Zone Convention, March 10<sup>th</sup> to be held in Eganville, cost is \$15.00; Registration 11:30 to 12:15 p.m. Business meeting begins @ 1:00 p.m. The Spring District G Convention to be held in Eastview, April 12, 13 & 14<sup>th</sup>. Main Seminar on April 13<sup>th</sup> "Alcohol and Gaming Commission" – April 14<sup>th</sup> Business Session. Provincial Convention May 4 to 7<sup>th</sup> in Niagara Falls.

**Ella Box, Training and Organizational Development**

**ZONE G7 NEWS:** Council Members approved the cost of a business card advertising in the Provincial Convention Booklet. Zone Ways/Means holding a ticket raffle, to be drawn on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> prize \$500.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize, \$200.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize \$100.00; please support this draw to help offset Zone expenses, tickets in the Lounge – just a few books left!

**Ella Box, Zone G7**

**BRANCH POPPY COMMITTEE:** Our 2018 Poppy Campaign was successful bringing in approximately \$23,000.00. The generosity of our members and Renfrew Community will ensure

that Veterans and their families are cared for and treated with the respect they deserve. We have some outstanding wreaths/crosses invoices, which we hope to, recover soon.

**Ella Box, Poppy Committee**

**MILITARY SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK PROJECT**: Ontario Command is now accepting submissions for Volume six. Fenety Marketing is working on behalf of Ontario Command soliciting donations and or advertising via a telephone appeal to the general public; funds raised through the program are being utilized to support various Veteran Transition Programs. Submission forms are available at the legion office or online @on.legion.ca, completed application forms must come to Renfrew Branch by May 24, 2019, do not mail to Ontario Command.

**Ella Box, Branch Coordinator**

**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 [rc1renfrew@cogeco.net](mailto:rc1renfrew@cogeco.net) or 613-432-6450. Please contact the office if your email address has changed.

## March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Hall: Joanne Ciphery Memorial Darts  Lounge: Goodtime Heart
<b>3</b> Hall: Silver Seniors Cards, 1:00	<b>4</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51	<b>5</b> Foot clinic Pipe Band	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Hall: Dart League	<b>8</b> Lounge: Country Reflections	<b>9</b> Hall: Stag & Doe  Lounge: Gib Rozon
<b>10</b> Hall: Mixed Doubles Dart Tournament, 10:00  Lounge: Skat Tournament, 2:00	<b>11</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51 <i>Executive Meeting 7pm</i>	<b>12</b> Hall: First Aid course  Pipe Band	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Silver Seniors St. Patrick's Day Luncheon, 1:00-4:00  Hall: Dart League	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Hall: Open Zone Dart Tournament  Lounge: Gord Barnes
<b>17</b> LA Cards, 1:00	<b>18</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51	<b>19</b> Pipe Band  <i>Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7pm</i>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Hall: Dart League	<b>22</b> Hall: Stag & Doe  Lounge: Doug Smith	<b>23</b> Hall: Stag & Doe  Lounge: Heartbreakers
<b>24</b> Hall: Baby Shower	<b>25</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51 Dinner	<b>26</b> Pipe Band	<b>27</b>  <i>General Meeting, 7pm</i>	<b>28</b> Silver Seniors Luncheon  Hall: Dart League	<b>29</b> Hall: Private Booking	<b>30</b> Hall: Doug Smith "Country Troubador" CD Release Party  Lounge: Bustin Loose
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## April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51	<b>2</b> Pipe Band	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Hall: Dart League	<b>5</b> Hall Rental	<b>6</b> Hall: Valley Heritage Radio Pancake Breakfast  Hall: Stag & Doe  Lounge: Bahoo, Brat, Commander & Co.
<b>7</b> Silver Senior Cards, 1:00	<b>8</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51 <i>Executive                      Meeting 7pm</i>	<b>9</b> Pipe Band	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Silver Seniors Luncheon, 12:00  Hall: Dart League	<b>12</b> Hall Rental	<b>13</b> Hall: Daryl Lecuyer Memorial Dart Tournament  Lounge: Fifth Street
<b>14</b> LA Cards, 1:00  Lounge: Skat Tournament, 2:00	<b>15</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51	<b>16</b> Pipe Band  <i>Ladies Auxiliary                      Meeting 7pm</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Hall: Dart League	<b>19</b> GOOD FRIDAY Hall: Private Party	<b>20</b>  Lounge: Gib Rozon
<b>21</b> EASTER SUNDAY	<b>22</b> EASTER MONDAY Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51	<b>23</b> Pipe Band	<b>24</b>  <i>General Meeting                      7pm</i>	<b>25</b> Silver Seniors Luncheon, 12:00  Hall: Dart League	<b>26</b>  Lounge: Jerry Lee	<b>27</b> Hall: Stag & Doe  Lounge: Country Reflections
<b>28</b> Silver Seniors Game Day, 1:00	<b>29</b> Silver Seniors Darts LA Darts Club 51	<b>30</b> Pipe Band				