

# NEWSLETTER

### Royal Canadian Legion Selkirk Branch #42

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# **President's Report**

Greetings! One month into 2025 and things appear to be going well. Hope this finds all well with our members and community. All the committee chairs on the Executive have been filled, however we still have 2 vacancies to fill.

At the general meeting held January 29th the membership approved of the following: Three scholarships to Lord Selkirk Comp, donation towards a wheelchair for a Veteran attending the Invictus Games, donation towards backpacks for homeless Veterans. This will include hygiene articles, toque, mitts, scarf, socks and other items. This is a pilot project by the Provincial Command, and we will get feedback as to the results.

There was a meeting with the City and a poppy crosswalk will be painted at the corner of Eveline and Superior this summer. Our request to have the front curb redone will be taken to Council but due to the cost, it does not sound good.

At the next general meeting, we are inviting a speaker to talk on a project called Faces to Graves. There is a cemetery in the Netherlands that the citizens help keep the memories of WW2 Canadians buried there alive by placing a picture of the fallen member on the grave. There are plans to expand the project to other cemeteries where Canadian military are buried.

I encourage you to attend the general meetings. Without the approval of the membership at the meeting, the Branch is unable to carry out donation requests & make improvements that require spending approval. Next general meeting is February 26, 7:30pm. Hope to see you then.

Save the date: Fish fry March 8th. Tickets to go on sale soon.

Respectively Submitted Heather Austin, President

### 2025 Executive

We would like to introduce everyone to your new 2025 Executive. We are all thrilled to keep our Branch alive and well, but unfortunately we still have 2 vacancies for committee members for 1-year terms. If you're interested in becoming part of our Branch 42 Executive, please reach out to anyone listed below for more information.

Past President- John Austin President- Heather Austin 1st Vice President- Doug Braman 2nd Vice President- Allan Coumont Sgt-at-Arms- Josh Boulton Ways & Means:

Bingo- Vivian Whiteway
Chase the Ace- Vivian Whiteway
Meat Draw/Attendance Draw- Vivian Paul
Membership/Publicity- Amanda Boulton
House- Donnie Bruce
Entertainment- Kayleen Valley
Cadet Liaison- Glenn Kozan

### **Entertainment**

### February Bands Are:

7-Karaoke BINGO with Wayne with Prizes!
14-Ravin- Valentine's spot dances between sets
21-Up in Flames
28-Uncle Basic

### March Bands Are:

7- Geoff Erickson Band

14- Vinyl Revival

21- Vintage Groove

28- Black Water Band

Respectively Submitted Kayleen Valley, Entertainment



### **Sick and Visiting**

A condolence card was given to Richard Bear on the passing of his brother Stewart in early January.

A card was sent to the Jim Bridgman family on his passing. He was active in Monday cribbage and bingo.

Mae Harcus was in hospital and is now recuperating at home. Flowers and a card were taken to her.

Wayne Adams underwent ankle surgery for a broken ankle. He is now recuperating at home. A blanket and card were taken to him.

Ed Zinnick was in hospital and received a blanket and card.

Lyn Belanger was recently in hospital and underwent surgery. Flowers and a card will be delivered to her.

Respectively Submitted Heather Austin, Sick & Visiting

### **Sports**

We had our Command District Cribbage play downs with Selkirk taking 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in singles, good luck to those moving onto Provincials.

Our Monday afternoon Cribbage and Tuesday night Darts are doing well. Thursday night Texas Hold 'Em Poker is still averaging 60 players.

**Upcoming events**- <u>J-Bird Dart Tournament</u> will be Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. \$40 per team, registration 10-10:30 upstairs.

<u>Snow Golf</u> has been cancelled but we will be holding a Cornhole Tournament in lieu of it on Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We still need volunteers for weekly Poker Nights – cashiers and callers (no poker knowledge needed)

Respectfully Submitted, Doug Braman, Sports

### **Special Events**

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday March 8, 2025 at 6pm we will be hosting the Fish Fry! Keep your eyes and ears open as tickets will be on sale ASAP! We look forward to seeing everyone!

Branch 42 Executive

### **Membership**

Ordinary: Adam Jenken, Selkirk

Associate: Adele Braman, East Selkirk Michelle Kutcher, Matlock

Affiliate Voting: John Bregman, Wpeg Beach

Judy Ostroman, Selkirk Darren Payment, Lorette

With record numbers in our membership roster, we are always looking for Volunteers for numerous events throughout the year including single events or multiple events. If you're interested in volunteering, please reach out to anyone on the Executive.

Warm welcome to our new and existing members! There are many events coming up throughout the year that we look forward to seeing you at!

Amanda Boulton, Membership

	Febru	uary 2025 Meat Drav	w Volunteer	's
	Caller	Seller	Pickup	Cashier
7 <sup>th</sup>	Linda	Tracey Cyncora	Leah	Eileen
	Adams	Kathy Begg	Siqurdur	Belanger
14 <sup>th</sup>	Doug Braman	Shirley Peters Taylor Lamoureaux	Rob Edie	Michael Tassano
21st	Wayne	Gaye Karandiuk	Don	Glen
	Bird	Mae Gulewich	Zalusky	Laye
28th	Vivian	Marcel Momotiuk	Don	Michael
	Paul	Diane Blais	Zalusky	Tassano

### Ways & Means-Bingo

I would like to thank Ryan Chevrefils for looking after the Bingo portfolio this past year, he made some good changes to the program and we wish him all the best. I am now the Bingo Chairperson for 2025 and I would like to thank all of the numerous Volunteers that help either on a regular basis or once in a while. All of the Volunteers are greatly appreciated! I am always looking for more Volunteers to help with calling back bingo's and selling Nevada tickets, if you think you'd be a good fit, please reach out for more information. Bingo is Monday evenings from 7-10 and Saturday afternoons from 1-4. Congratulations to Sheila Snider on winning the Lucky 7 in January.

Vivian Whiteway, Ways & Means- Bingo

### Ways & Means - Chase the Ace

We have had another successful month. Thanks to all my Volunteers, you are doing an excellent job. I cannot do this without your help. Respectfully Submitted Vivian Whiteway

	February – Chas	se the Ace
	Cashier	Seller
7 <sup>th</sup>	Vivian Whiteway	Susan Burnby
14 <sup>th</sup>	Paulina Fatla	Andy Anderson
21 <sup>st</sup>	Vivian Whiteway	Kyle Douglas
28 <sup>th</sup>	Glen Kozan	Richard Bear

**Cribbage Scores** 

Jan.	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
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	Wanda	Marilyn	Charlene
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	Willie 892	Gary 868	Wanda 853
20th	Chris &	Carl &	Eve &
	Charlene	llene 854	Eddie 843
	864		
27 <sup>th</sup>	Carl &	Mark &	Wanda &
	Ilene 864	Fred 862	lan 860

Respectfully submitted Adam Hunnie





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WORD SCRAMBLE DIRECTIONS: Unscramble each set of letters to discover a vocabulary word relating to the wintry month of February.

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Selkirk, MB

# Royal Canadian Legion Branch 42 Over 60 Club

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## Over 60 Club

The January Hootenanny (our annual Scottish Party) was fun. Thank you to those who wore plaid.

Jeanette said the prayer, Selkirk Grace by Robbie Burns, his birthday is January 25<sup>th</sup>. (Jan 25, 1759 – July 21, 1796). Robbie is the author of many Scottish poems.

Blue Haze served a nice pulled pork lunch. February 20<sup>th</sup> is our next General Meeting.

### Lots of red for Valentine's Day.

Respectively Submitted Evelyn Milner, President

## **Membership**

We had our first meeting of 2025 with 75 members in attendance.

Thanks to Bev Bruce and Fern Kirton at the registration table.

February 20th. is our next General Meeting.

### **WEAR RED!!**

See you then.

Respectfully Submitted
Ruth Stewart, Membership

## **Sick and Visiting**

A sympathy card was sent out to Terry Foster on the loss of her mother.

A condolence card was sent out to Richard Bear on the loss of his brother.

A get-well card was sent to Mae Harcus who is in Selkirk Hospital recovering from her surgery.

Respectfully Submitted Kim Hutton-Smith

## **Over 60 Entertainment**

January brings us our annual Hootenanny. All members whose dues are paid up by December were treated to a free meal today. Besides the delicious meal, the tables were dressed up with beautiful fresh flowers.

Janette Thompson came up and said the Selkirk Grace followed by Pastor Sharman blessing our food.

Then came the music provided by the Destiny Duo Band. Members were singing along to some favourite old time sing along songs throughout the afternoon.

We also wore plaid in honour of Robbie Burns Day. Robbie Burns was a famous Scottish poet who wrote Auld Lang Syne.

Winners of the Meat Draw were:

- 1. Terry Foster
- 2. Doris Bennett
- Doris Bennett
- 4. Bonnie Cuthbert

Bottle Draw winners were:

- 1. Cheryl Caron
- 2. Henry Fast

Door Prize winner was Elizabeth Storoschuk

Thank you to the ticket sellers, Sue Brunelle and Melvina Grant for selling the meat draw tickets and to Helen Heidman for selling bottle draw tickets. Next month's ticket sellers will be Melvina Grant selling the meat draw tickets and Lorraine Starkell and Donna Fissel selling the Bottle Draw. Of course, we can always count on Don, Eugene, Randy and Neil for set-up and clean up. Thank you so much guys, you are always all appreciated.

See you all next month on Feb 20 for our next meeting. Top Secret Band will be playing and don't forget to wear red for Valentine's Day.

Respectfully Submitted
Mae Fidler-Fast/Sandy Skiba

# **Ways and Means**

Volunteers are always needed to sell 50/50 well as the Bottle Draw on Fridays. If you can spare an hour and a half on any of these days. please call **Neil** (204-785-1427).

œ	February 2025
$U_{J}$	ocoming 50/50 Draw
	Seller
Sat 1	Lorraine & Eugene Leniuk
Mon 3	Mae Fidler-Fast
Sat 8	Melvina Grant
Mon 10	Bobbi Georget
Sat 15	Melvina Grant
Mon 17	Linda Paluck/Gloria Linklater
Sat 22	Neil Zebinski
Mon 24	Mae Fidler-Fast
Friday	Upcoming Bottle Draw
7	Mae Fidler-Fast
14	Ruth Stewart
21	Donna Fissel
28	Evelyn Milner

Respectfully Submitted Neil Zebinski

# **Over 60 Volunteer Report**

Thank you to the volunteers, Jackie Brooks for calling numbers and Susan Hislop and Sharon Oberik for cleanup. We would also like to thank Reverend Sharman for saying Grace.

Respectfully Submitted

Dow Zalusky

2nd Vice President Over 60 Club

J	anuary 50/50 Dr	aw Winners
	Seller	Winner
4	Melvina Grant	Margaret Onsowich
6	Gloria Linklater/Linda Paluck	Karen Pelechety
11	Melvina Grant	Darlene McDonald
13	Mae Fidler-Fast	Cindi Rettaler
18	Kim Hutton-Smith Glenna Wentworth	Linda Safiniuk
20	Lorraine/Eugene Leniuk	Lisa Johnson
25	No seller	
27	Sandy Skiba	Vivian Whiteway
	Bottle Draw Wi	nners
3	Donna Fissel	Nodine Bell
10	Jackie Brooks	Jimina McKellan
17	Mae Fidler-Fast	Allan Coumont
24	Jackie Brooks	Bill McKetchen

Respectfully Submitted Dennis Stewart



## **Over 60 Club Past Events**

Just three Legionnaires of the many Legion members who participated in the 2024 Poppy drive. For all those who volunteered their time for this worthwhile cause. Their support was and always will be greatly appreciated.



Neil Zebinski, Glenn Kozan, Dennis Stewart

The Over 60 Club presented cheques to Past President John Austin in the clubs' support of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 42 commitments.

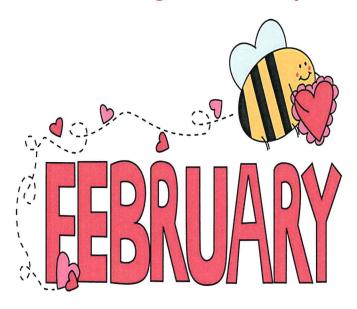


Retiring President John Austin accepting cheque from retired President Alice Thompson for Veteran Memberships.



Retiring President John Austin accepting cheque from retired President Alice for inclusion to donation to Navy League for uniforms.

# Coming in February



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	Bingo 7pm				Meat Draw 4:30 pm		
		7:00pm Darts	General Meeting 7:30pm		Band: Uncle Basic		

March 2025	225	Check	heck Out Our Daily Specials!!!	Daily Sp	ecials!!!	
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