

# **NEWSLETTER**

#### Royal Canadian Legion Selkirk Branch #42

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### **President's Report**

2024 is upon us and the winter weather came with it. Oh well, instead of 5 months of snow we only get 3. Once the snow starts to go, we are back to sun, sand, lakes and, of course, mosquitoes.

The next 12 months will be interesting to say the least. There will be some changes, good or bad, only time will tell.

My heartfelt thanks go out to all who supported me. I think you will have an effective Executive, one that will work together to keep this branch viable.

Regrettably, I have come to the conclusion that I am not suited for this position as President of Branch 42. I was hesitant when I accepted nomination as to the difficulties that I would encounter. Unfortunately, these difficulties came to fruition. With this in mind, I tendered my resignation as President at the General meeting on January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

GOD SPEED AND GOOD LUCK

Respectfully Submitted Neil Zebinski, President

It's okay to have an opinion. It's okay to disagree with someone's opinion. It's not okay to humiliate them because they don't think the same way you do.

Show some respect.

Society needs more of that.

### **Honours and Awards**

The Initiation Ceremony and Awards are being rescheduled to next spring. Date and time will be posted in the Branch newsletter.

Respectfully Submitted John Austin, Past President

### **Entertainment**

February Bands are:

2<sup>nd</sup> Music Bingo9<sup>th</sup> Vintage Groove

16<sup>th</sup> Ravin

23<sup>rd</sup> Up in Flames

March Bands are:

1<sup>st</sup> 5 o'clock Somewhere 8<sup>th</sup> Bowman Brothers

15<sup>th</sup> Geoffrey Erickson & the Rockets

22<sup>nd</sup> River City Six

29th Good Friday-CLOSED

Respectively Submitted Kayleen Valley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice

#### **Service Officer**

Any member that needs to borrow, or wants to return equipment, may do so by calling the office (204-482-4319)

Monday – Friday 11am – 3:30 pm

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Respectively Submitted Heather Austin, 1st Vice-President

February 2024

### **Membership**

Ordinary: Robin Clarke - Beaconia

Eddie Miller - Selkirk

Associate: Crystal MacLean – Selkirk

Barry Thorvaldson - Selkirk

Affiliate: Gerald Andrusko – Selkirk

Charlene Cox – Selkirk Olga Olender - Selkirk

Respectfully Submitted

Amanda Hendershot

### Sergeant at Arms & Cadets

I look forward to my duties as Sgt-at-Arms and am looking for members who would like to learn what the Colour Party is all about.

Respectively Submitted Josh Boulton, Sgt-At-Arms

### **Poppy Report**

No report.

Respectfully Submitted Jan Brooks

### **Cadet Liaison**

On January 1<sup>st</sup> I attended the Navy League Training evening. The Navy League has 24 Cadets in training. There are 3 Officers, 1 Civilian Instructor and 1 Volunteer. They have upcoming events for Marksmanship on January 29 and Promotions on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

On January 22<sup>nd</sup> I attended the Sea Cadet Training evening. There are 25 to 30 Cadets with 4 Officers instructing. The Cadets are working on Drill and Seamanship levels.

Respectfully Submitted Glenn Kozan

### **Cribbage**

January		Name	Score	
8	1	Randy & Jack	862	
	2	Stan & Alexa	857	
	3	Graham & Doug	856	
15	1	Peter & Wayne 887		
	2	Judy & Melvina	869	
	3	Russel & Reid	869	
22	1	Shirley & lan	878	
	2	Angie & Ernie	867	
	3	Gord & Ron	849	
29	1	Reid & Russel	882	
	2	Ernie & Angie	870	
	3	Adam & Gary	859	

Respectfully Submitted

Adam Hunníe

### Ways and Means - Chase the Ace

We have had another successful month. Thanks to all my volunteers. I could not have done this without your help.

	February – Chase the Ace				
Cashier Seller					
2	Paulina Fatla	Vivian Paul			
9	Shirley Peters	Robert Edie			
16	Terry Chevrefils	Vivian Paul			
26	Vivian Whiteway	Kyle Douglas			

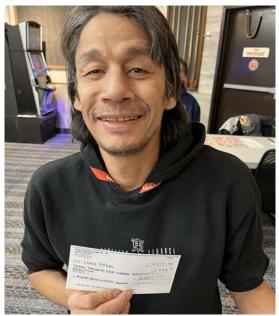
Respectfully Submitted Vívían Whiteway

### Ways and Means - Meat Draw

February 2024				
	Caller	Seller Pickup		Cashier
2	Doug Braman	Bonnie Cuthbert Faye Drummond	Bob Leah	Michael Tassano
9	TBA	Vivian Paul Tracy Cyncora	Graham Mathers	Lori Robson
16	Wayne Bird	Mae Gulewich Gaye Karandiuk	Shelley Sinclair	Lori Robson
23	TBA	Vivian Paul Tracy Cyncora	Graham Mathers	Michael Tassano

Respectfully Submitted Mary Zebinski

### **Bingo**



Congratulations to Lance McKay winner of Loonie Pot and Bonanza on January 8th, 2024



Crystal won the Lucky Star at bingo on Saturday, January 20, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted Ryan Chevrefils

### **Sick and Visiting**

Graham Mathers was sent a card of condolence on the passing of his brother-in-law.

A donation of \$39.95 was given, through Gilbart's tribute page, towards planting a tree in the memory of Veteran Pam Linklater.

Cards of condolences were sent to the Belanger families on the passing of Gilbert Belanger.

On January 25, John and I paid a visit to John Malyna, a 99 year old Veteran and member of the Legion. He is residing in a personal care home. When asked if there was anything we could bring, he was quick to respond "fish and chips from the Legion". Request granted. He is in good spirits.

We then went to see Bob Sinclair, a 101 year old Veteran and long time Legion member. He lives alone in his home. He was given the quilt that was donated by Anne Kurbis. Bob was very pleased and it went on his bed immediately.



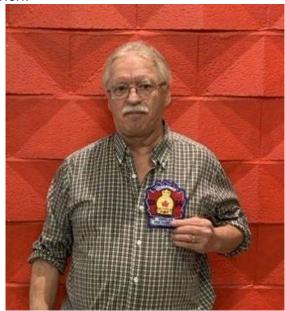
Bob Sinclair (Veteran) – John Austin (Past President)
He is hoping to get out for the Veteran's supper,
now that it has been moved to Sunday.

Both were pleased to receive a copy of the January newsletter.

Respectfully Submitted Heather Austin, 1st Vice President

### **Sports**

We had our Command Sports Playdowns in Cribbage this month. We have the following members moving forward representing our Branch.



1st place in singles Adam Hunnie.

Congratulations to Marilyn Chanas & Alice Thompson for coming in 2nd in doubles, well done.

In Darts representing our branch 1st place singles.



Douglas R. Allard



Darts in teams, 1<sup>st</sup> place Douglas R. Allard , Tyler Wolejszo , David Hendy and Dillon Clarke.

Congratulations to Tyler Wolejszo for 2nd place in singles and David Hendy & Tyler Wolejszo coming in 2nd place in doubles. Well done to all that participated in Command Sports and good luck to those who are moving forward.

Congratulations to Victor Bird for winning the

Poker Royal Flush Pot



#### **Upcoming Sports Events**

J Bird Dart tournament Is Feb 18th, upstairs.

Sno - Golf Tournament March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteers needed for setting up golf course.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Doug Braman, Sports

#### 100 players maximum Current Royal Flush pot +\$1,565+

Cashiers and Callers needed.

You do not have to know how to play



#### **Savanah Thompson**

This young Lady is the Branch 42's Special Olympic hopeful in speed skating. Branch 42 is a sponsor. She is going to the Special Olympics in Calgary February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 2, 2024. At the last Special Olympics in Thunder Bay she came home with 5, yes 5, (one is missing) medals. Congratulations for this and great skating in Calgary. Go for Gold Savanah.



### **Special Events**

Music Bingo is booked for Friday, February 2 after the meat draws.

On Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> Portage La Prairie has indicated that they are doing a "Pub Crawl" in Winnipeg and will terminate the crawl right here at Branch 42. Come out and greet them.

Respectively Submitted
Ryan Chevrefils

### **Upcoming Events**



### **Ladies Auxiliary**

Our next meeting is not until March.

Respectfully Submitted

Debbie Rose, Publicity/First Vice

## Royal Canadian Legion Branch 42 Over 60 Club

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#### Over 60 Club

Happy New Year.

January's Hootenanny was a great success, excellent meal and music. Music for February is Top Secret.

Thank you to all who helped me Chair my first meeting as President and to Lynne Kowal for volunteering to complete our annual audit. Volunteers are so appreciated, making our Club 60 a success.

Remember to wear red for Valentine's Day in February.

Respectfully Submitted *Alice Thompson*, President

### **Sick and Visiting**

On December 30, 2023, we lost Pamela Linklater. She was a Veteran and long term Over 60 Club member. A donation to the Poppy Fund was made in her honour.

Member Sharon Thorvaldson passed away and a donation was made to Cancer Care in her honour.

Member Mary Rivard has had a bad fall. A card and flowers were sent to brighten her day.

Respectfully Submitted Kim Hutton-Smith

### Over 60 Volunteer Report

Thank you to the volunteers for January who helped with the luncheon: calling numbers Peggy Davies; clean-up Beverly Bruce and Judy Hoydalo. Rev Sharman was here; we would like to thank him for saying Grace.

Respectfully Submitted Louise Goodbrandson

J	January 50/50 Draw Winners			
	Seller	Winner		
6	Melvina Grant	Heather Sinclair		
8	Neil Zebinski	Joe Blow		
13	Karen Coumont	Eleanor Kshywieski		
15	No seller			
20	Kim Hutton-Smith Glenna Wentworth	Verna Turner		
22	Ruth Stewart	Paulina Fatla		
27	Melvina Grant	S. Gurniak		
29	Neil Zebinski	Chris Demers		
	Bottle Draw Winners			
5	Mae Fidler-Fast	Norma Lamoureaux		
12	Jackie/Ron Brooks	Jessica James		
19	Donna Fissel	Keith Clemons		
26	Peggy Stephenson	Joyce Plamondon		

Respectfully Submitted Dennís Stewart

### <u>Membership</u>

Our first meeting of 2024 was held on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Every January we celebrate the Hootenanny. All those attending got a free meal. It was a blustery day. Some members were away in a warmer climate and some members were sick. However, there were 78 members in attendance. Everyone enjoyed the meal and entertainment. There were even some Scottish songs sung.

Thanks to Fern Kirton and Bev Bruce for greeting members as they arrived.

Our next meeting will be held on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted Ruth Stewart, Membership

### **Over 60 Entertainment**

As usual, in January, we had our Hootenanny. We had quite a good turnout despite the chilly weather. All members were treated to a delicious dinner today. January is also Robbie Burns Day. We paid tribute with the band playing a couple of Scottish songs and Janette Thompson saying the Selkirk Grace in her charming Scottish accent. After dinner we danced to music by Luciano and Top Secret Duo.

January winners were:

Meat Draw: Pauline Okun

Ty VanDriel Doris Bennett

Bottle Draw: Alexa Staplev

**Ruth Stewart** 

Door Prize: Mae Harcus

Thank you to Meat Draw ticket sellers Linda Paluck and Louise Goodbrandson and to Kim Hutton-Smith and Glenna Wentworth for selling the Bottle Draw tickets. Thanks to Carl Chanas and Elizabeth Kalody for setting up.

In February we will dance to Mark Bowman and his Top Secret Band. Do not forget to wear red as we celebrate Valentine's Day. See you at our next meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted
Mae Fidler-Fast/Sandy Skiba

### **Ways and Means**

Volunteers are always needed to sell 50/50 on Saturday and Monday 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)**. If you commit to one of these tasks and find yourself unable to complete this commitment, call me ASAP so a replacement can be found.

Respectfully Submitted Neil Zebinski, Ways and Means

February			
Upcoming 50/50 Draw			
	Seller		
Sat 3	Amy Swinton		
Mon 5	Neil Zebinski		
Sat 10	Peggy Stephanson/Don Zalusky		
Mon 12	Mae Fidler-Fast/Sissel Gunderson		
Sat 17	Ty & Adrian VanDriel		
Mon 19	Fern Kirton/Linda Paluck		
Sat 24	Faye Drummond		
Mon 26	Alice Thompson		
Friday	Upcoming Bottle Draw		
2	Mae Fidler-Fast		
9	Ron & Jackie Brooks		
16	Donna Fissel		
23	Ron & Jackie Brooks		



February

11:00 am - 6:00 pm

Bingo 7:00 pm

## Check out our Daily Member Specials!!

2024

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday Friday** Saturday **2** Chase the Ace **3** Bingo 1:00 pm 7:00 pm Poker Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Portage la Prairie Legion Pub Crawl Music Bingo 6pm 4 8 O/60 Club **9** Chase the Ace **10** Bingo 1:00 pm Cribbage 1:30 pm Darts 6:30 pm Mah-jongg 1:00 pm **Executive Meeting** Open Meat Draw: 4:30 pm 11:00 am - 6:00 pm 1:00 pm Bingo 7:00 pm Band: 7:00 pm Poker Vintage Groove 11 12 13 14 15 O/60 Club **16** Chase the Ace **17** Bingo 1:00 pm Darts 6:30 pm Cribbage 1:30 pm Mah-jongg 1:00 pm Open **General Meeting** Meat Draw: 4:30 pm 11:00 am - 6:00 pm Bingo 7:00 pm Valentine's Day 7:00 pm Poker Band: Ravin 19 21 18 20 22 23 Chase the Ace **24** Bingo 1:00 pm Cribbage 1:30 pm Darts 6:30 pm Mah-jongg 1:00 pm 7:00 pm Poker Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Open 11:00 am - 6:00 pm **Executive Meeting** Bingo 7:00 pm Band: Up in Flames J-Bird Dart 7:30 pm **Tourney** 25 27 29 26 Cribbage 1:30 pm Darts 6:30 pm Mah-jongg 1:00 pm 7:00 pm Poker Open

General Meeting 7:30 pm

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm	2 Bingo 1:00 pm
					Band: 5 O'clock Somewhere	
3 Open 10:00 am – 6:00 pm	4 Cribbage 1:30 pm	5 Darts 6:30 pm	6 Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	<b>7</b> 7:00 pm Poker	8 Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm	<b>9</b> Bingo 1:00 pm
Snow Golf (Pending Winter)	Bingo 7:00 pm				Band: Bowman Brothers	
<b>10</b> Open 11:00 am – 6:00 pm	11 Cribbage 1:30 pm	<b>12</b> Darts 6:30 pm	13 Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	14 O/60 Club Executive Meeting 1:00 pm	15 Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm	<b>16</b> Bingo 1:00 pm
	Bingo 7:00 pm			7:00 pm Poker	<b>Band</b> : Geoff Erickson & the Rockets	
17 Open	18 Cribbage 1:30 pm	19 Darts 6:30 pm	20 Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	21 O/60 Club General Meeting	26 Chase the Ace Easter Meat Draw:	23 Bingo 1:00 pm
11:00 am – 6:00 pm	Bingo 7:00 pm		Executive Meeting 7:30 pm	7:00 pm Poker	4:30 pm <b>Band</b> : River City Six	
24 Open	25 Cribbage 1:30 pm	<b>26</b> Darts 6:30 pm	27 Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	28 7:00 pm Poker	29 Good Friday	<b>30</b> Bingo 1:00 pm
11:00 am – 6:00 pm	Bingo 7:00 pm		General Meeting 7:30 pm		CLOSED	
31 EASTER Sunday						
Open 11:00 am – 6:00 pm						