

# NEWSLETTER

Royal Canadian Legion Selkirk Branch #42 403 Eveline St, Selkirk, MB www.selkirklegion.org Bar: 204-482-6015 Office: 204-482-4319

# President's Report

Please, do not forget December is elections, so come out and vote at the December 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### Merry Christmas to all.

Have a great holiday season.

Respectfully Submitted John Austin, President

#### Honours and Awards

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

Respectfully Submitted *Wayne Bird* 

# Sergeant at Arms & Cadets

Anyone interested in becoming Sergeant at Arms please advise President Austin.

Respectively Submitted *Neíl Zebínskí*, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President



# Special Notice

Due to the way the calendar works this year with the holidays, we have moved the **December General Meeting and Elections to December 13, 2023.** Please consider joining us and have your vote, or even better, please consider letting your name stand for a position - there are 4 x 2-year committee member and 2 x 1 year committee member positions available as well as elections for President, 1st Vice and 2nd Vice President. The Selkirk Legion relies on Volunteers to be successful.

Don't miss the Big Meat Draw December 8<sup>th</sup>, in addition to turkeys & hams, there will be a lot of extra raffle prizes! This year there will also be a couple extras draws for a 4 ticket Winnipeg Blue Bomber package and a Stay & Play package from South Beach Casino.

See you at the Branch, Jan Secretary-Treasurer

# 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. The office will set up an appointment.

Respectively Submitted *Neíl Zebínski*, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

# **Bingo**

No Report

Respectfully Submitted *Heather Austín*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President

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December 2023

# Poppy Report

The Poppy Campaign was very successful again this year with \$26,209.31 being raised. This was achieved because of the generosity of the citizens of Selkirk and surrounding communities and the volunteer efforts on the Poppy Campaign. I would like to thank the Branch's wonderful volunteers for the Poppy campaign and finishing up the Campaign at the Branch, John and Heather Austin, Michael Tassano, Neil and Mary Zebinski, Brian Cavers, Bev Swiderski, Ross and Mary Orvis, Andy and Isabel Anderson, Padre Sharman, Peggy Davies, and Don Zalusky. A great job was done on the routes and in the Branch sorting, counting and getting everything ready for next year's Poppy Campaign.

A very special thank you to all the businesses in the region that allowed the Legion to locate the Poppy Campaign boxes on their premises. Thank you to the Branch's secretary, Jan Chanas for her help recording, counting and depositing the Poppy Campaigns funds.

Daerwood Sea Cadets had approximately 34 members out on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and they did very well. Thanks to the Cadets for their work for the Poppy Campaign tag day drive.

Thanks to Brett and Jodi O'Meara at McDonalds for their donation of lunch and pop for the Cadets after they finished the Poppy Campaign.

Thank you to Selkirk Fire Department for their donation of (\$200.00) and to Peter Hall for his donation of (\$150.00) to the Poppy Fund.

I want to thank Wal-Mart for allowing the Legion to set up our Poppy Campaign table at their department store. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped Neil Zebinski at this location, Fern Kirton, Carmen McKay, Harold & Isabel Anderson, Darlene Anderson, Linda Paluck, Wendy Bisiak, Ron & Sheila Snider, Lorraine Starkell, Wayne & Kathy Bird, David BeaQue, Faye Drummond, Karen Coumont. Joyce Plamondon, Michael Tassano, Dennis & Ruth Stewart, Kim Hutton-Smith, Glenna Wentworth, Kelly & Daniel Minucci, Bobbi Georget, Mary Rivard, Jackie & Ron Brooks, Glen Kozan, Vivian Paul, Kayleen Valley, www.selkirklegion.org Evelyn Milner, Eugene & Lorraine Leniuk, Mae Fidler-Fast, Sissel Gunderson, Mae Gulewich, Gaye Karandiuk and Neil & Mary Zebinski.

#### Remembrance Day Report 23-11-18

I would like to thank a few members who were very helpful during the Remembrance Day Service. I hope I have all the names of the members who helped and if I left anyone out, you have my heartfelt thanks and gratitude.

I will start by thanking our President John Austin for his support & leadership. Thank you to Ian Brooks, Therese Sandwith and Don Zalusky for their work on wreaths at the Branch and at the Service. Thanks to Rev. Sharman for spiritual and moral support. Thanks to Acting Sgt-at-Arms 1st Vice Neil Zebinski, the Legion Color Party consisting of Neil Zebinski, Michael Tassano, Alice Thompson, and from Army Navy Air Force Unit 151 Joey Fekete and Mark Wright for their service at the Remembrance Day Service. Thanks to Royal Canadian Legion Branch 42 President John Austin and Army Navy President Connie Rapko for the reading of the Prayers, to Royal Canadian Daerwood Sea Cadets for providing Cenotaph Sentinels and Escorts for laying the wreaths, Clandeboye Pipe Band, Piper Don Byers, Bugler Randy Robins, Members of the Selkirk Community Choir, and to Robert Somerfeld for the sound system. The weather co-operated for the Wreath laying at the Cenotaph.

At the Branch after the Remembrance Day Service, we had remarks from City of Selkirk Mayor, Larry Johannson; Mayor of St. Andrews, Ken Doornbos; Mayor of St. Clements, Debbie Fiebelkorn; song by Peggy Davies and music by Clandeboye Pipe Band. These were well received by all in attendance.

Thanks also to Branch Manager, Chrystal-Lynn Essar and her staff for their service to all the Veterans and Members that attended the Branch after the Remembrance Day Service. The Branch had a very nice crowd that attended the Branch for Remembrance and fellowship. If not for all of you stepping up and volunteering your time and presence, Remembrance Day would not have been as well done as it was.

Thank you to all the VETERANS past and present for your service and sacrifice in giving all of us the Freedom that we now enjoy.

Respectfully Submitted *Wayne Bird* 

#### **Entertainment**

December Bands are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Vinyl Revival
- 8<sup>th</sup> No Band. Christmas Meat Draw
- 15<sup>th</sup> Karaoke with Wayne
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Open Jukebox
- 29<sup>th</sup> Open Jukebox
- 31<sup>st</sup> 15 Minutes of Fame with

Sarah/Karaoke New Year's Eve Party

January Bands are:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Ramblin Fever
- 12<sup>th</sup> Rock of Edges
- 19<sup>th</sup> Black Water Band
- 26<sup>th</sup> Geoff and The Rockets

Respectively Submitted *Kayleen Valley*, Entertainment

# **Membership**

- Ordinary: John Duff Selkirk Kyle McFadyen - Selkirk
- Associate: Jane Beck Selkirk Joyce Brandson – Selkirk Patricia Comba – Selkirk Diane Hlady – Selkirk John & Mary-Anne Torun -Selkirk Barbara Wright – Selkirk

Re-Instate: Gerry Redfern – St Andrews

Affiliate: Gary Alexander – Clandeboye Nadine Bell – Selkirk Dilion Clarke – Selkirk David Hendy – Winnipeg Ramey Goetz – Selkirk Ida Maryniuk – Selkirk Erick Wildfang - Selkirk

Respectfully Submitted *Glenn Kozan* 

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# Sick and Visiting

Condolences are sent to the family of Harv Wheaton. And a card was sent to Linda Adams on the passing of her sister.

Respectfully Submitted Kayleen Valley,

#### Ways and Means - Chase the Ace

December – Chase the Ace				
Cashier Seller				
1	1 Vivian Whiteway Andy Ander			
8	Shirley Peters	Robert Edie		
15	Noella Belanger Louise Chuhie			
22	22 Karen Coumont Vivian Paul			
29	Vivian Whiteway	Kyle Douglas		

Respectfully Submitted *Vivian Whiteway* 

#### Ways and Means - Meat Draw

December 2023						
	Caller Seller Pickup		Pickup	Cashier		
1	Neil Zebinski	Tracy Cyncora Terry Foster	Graham Mathers Isabel Anderson	Lorie Robson		
8	Wayne Bird	Mae Gulewich Gaye Karandiuk	Shelly Sinclair Graham Mathers	Eileen Belanger		
15	lan Brooks	Therese Sandwith Tracy Cyncora Terry Foster	Mary Zebinski	Eileen Belanger		
22	Wayne Bird	Kathy Bird Mae Gulewich Gaye Karandiuk	Andy Anderson	Lori Robson		
29	Neil Zebinski		Andy Anderson	Eileen Belanger		

Respectfully Submitted Mary Zebinski

# **Sports**

SELKIRK LEGION, BRANCH 42

**DARTS TOURNAMENT** 

#### **Branch Playdowns**



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17TH, 2023

**REGISTRATION 12:30 PM** 

OPEN TO ALL SELKIRK BR. 42 MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING

Respectfully Submitted *Ian Brooks*, Sports

# <u>Cribbage</u>

November		Name	Score
6	1	Paul & Evan	887
	2	Russel & Graham	868
	3	Ernie & Agnie	852
Branch	n 42 – 2	<sup>2nd</sup> Annual Cribbage Tournar	nent
12	1	Adam & Graham	991
	2	Diane & Nicci	989
	3	Marilyn & Alice	988
13	1	Peter & Wayne	868
	2	Gord & Chuck	864
	3	Jack & Randy	845
20	1	Wayne & ???	868
	2	Reid & Russel	865
	3	Peggy & Burt	858
27	1	Chuck & Gord	866
	2	Barb and Willie	855
	3	Evelyn & Eddie	847

Respectfully Submitted *Adam Hunníe* 

# **Special Events**

Cash calendars are all sold. Thank you to all who sold. Our super seller, Mae, beat her last record by selling over 400. Way to go Mae. The draw will be during the Christmas Meat Draw on December 8<sup>th</sup>. All winners will be notified by phone. A list of winners will be posted on the bulletin board, the Legion Web Site and Facebook page.

Respectively Submitted *Heather Austín*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President



100 players maximum e-transfer cut off at 3:30pm Current Royal Flush pot +\$14,000

Cashiers and Callers needed. You do not have to know how to play.



Tickets now available at the bar

Music: 15 MINUTES OF FAME WITH SARAH

Location: Clubroom Upstairs

Price: \$10.00 per Person

#### Late Lunch

Party Favors



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#### **Ladies Auxiliary**

Wow and it's December already. Time sure flies.

Congratulations to all the winners of the Grey Cup pool. To those who were not as lucky, try again next year.

Thank you to everyone who helped make with our annual craft sale a success. It would not be the success it is without everyone's help. Special thanks to Sandy for all her organizing of crafters and tables.

Thank you also to all the ladies who helped with Remembrance Day. To the ladies who helped with the stew making, the ladies who helped serve both upstairs and downstairs and helped with clean up. Thank you also to Bernice Chabluk for supplying the Bannock.

Donations this month include.

500.00 Big hearts Xmas hamper drive

200.00... Hungry bellies hampers

750.00 Lion Universe Scholarship Drive

Silent auction prize for a fundraiser by Selkirk Friendship Center

The current executive will remain in their positions. Thank you, ladies.

On behalf of our President, Kim and all the members of the Ladies Auxiliary we would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and all the Best for the New year.

Respectfully Submitted *Debbie Rose*, Publicity/First Vice



# Royal Canadian Legion Branch 42 Over 60 Club

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#### Over 60 Club

Despite the stormy weather, we had a great turnout for our November meeting, dinner and dance.

November was the third month for nominations and elections. I am pleased to announce all positions were filled. Our new Executive for 2024 is:

President – Alice Thompson 1<sup>st</sup> Vice – Susan Brunelle 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice – Evelyn Milner Secretary – Glenna Wentworth Treasure – Dennis Stewart Membership – Ruth Stewart Sick/Visiting – Kim Hutton-Smith Publicity – Mary Zebinski Ways & Means – Neil Zebinski Entertainment- Sandy Skiba and Mae Fidler-Fast

Welcome to our three new executive, Susan, Glenna and Mae.

A big thank you to Linda Paluck, Louise Goodbrandson, and Karen Coumont for their time on the executive.

Again, this year we will be holding our Silent Auction at the December 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. The branch has asked that members **do not bring** donations for the auction until after the Big Meat Draw on December 8<sup>th</sup>, due to lack of storage space.

Respectively Submitted *Faye Drummond*, President

# Sick and Visiting

Liz Flett has passed away. A sympathy card was sent to her family and a donation made to the Poppy Fund in her honour.

Robert Mundt has passed away. A sympathy card was sent to his partner, Edna and a donation to the Pop0py Fund was made in his honour.

I received a call from the niece of Jack and Gail Kelly. Gail has recently moved to Middle Church Nursing Home (Unit D). They request that Gail's Legion family know that Gail would welcome visits from her old friends as Gail's family has left to winter in Texas and will be unavailable.

Respectfully Submitted *Kim Hutton-Smith* 

#### 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)**.

Winners of the Over 60 Fall Draw are as follows and all prizes delivered:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Paul Ebbinghaus
Seller:	Elizabeth Upton
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stefan Jones
Seller	Eileen Jones
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Adam Hunnie
Seller	Adam Hunnie

Respectfully Submitted Neil Zebinski, Ways and Means

November 50/50 Draw Winners						
	Seller	Winner				
4	Faye Drummond	Crystal McDiarmid				
6	Sandra Skiba	Lisa Johnson				
11	No Bingo					
13	No Seller					
18	Melvina Grant	Sylvia Mumry				
20	Fern Kirton/Linda Paluck	Terry Hokanson				
25	Louise Goodbrandson Linda Paluck	Gloria White				
27	27 Lorraine & Eugene Leniuk Shirley Peters					
	Bottle Draw Winners					
3	Karen Coumont Barb Clemons					
10	Mae Fidler-Fast	Andy Anderson				
17	Doris Bennett Robin Berndt					
29	Linda Paluck, Fern Kirton Dwayne Kowalko					

December						
Uj	Upcomíng 50/50 Draw					
	Seller					
Sat 2	Melvina Grant					
Mon 4	Mae Fidler-Fast					
Sat 9	Louise Goodbrandson & Wendy Bisiak					
Mon 11	Eugene & Lorraine Leniuk					
Sat 16	Melvina Grant					
Mon 18	Mon 18 Sandy Skiba					
Sat 23						
Mon 25	Closed Christmas Day					
Sat 30 Linda Paluck & Wendy Bisiak						
Friday	Upcoming Bottle Draw					
3	Karen Coumont					
10	Mae Fidler-Fast					
17	Doris Bennett					
24	Jackie & Ron Brooks					

Respectfully Submitted Dennís Stewart

## **Over 60 Volunteer Report**

Thank you to the volunteers for October who helped with the luncheon: calling numbers Jackie Brooks; clean-up Don Zalusky and Mae Fidler-Fast. Rev Sharman was here; we would like to thank him for saying Grace.

Respectfully Submitted *Louíse Goodbrandson* 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Over 60 Club

# **Membership**

It was a snowy day on November 16<sup>th,</sup> but we still had 81 members and 1 guest in attendance. Our guest was Judy Ostroman. We welcomed one new member – Ida Maryniuk.

Thank you to Lynne Kowal, Evelyn Milner and Grace Hordyski for taking renewals for 2024. We will continue with renewals at our Christmas get together on December 21<sup>st</sup>: that is the last chance : as we do not do renewals until February.

Hope to see everyone on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted *Ruth Stewart*, Membership



#### **Over 60 Entertainment**

Despite the sudden amount of snow that fell on us overnight, we had an outstanding turnout for our November meeting. Only a few members were missing.

After the meeting adjourned and we enjoyed another delicious lunch, we danced to music supplied by Luciano and Wayne Wasney of the L.A. Special band. Great job guys and thank you. Next month we will dance to Gilbert and Friends.

November's winners were:

Bottle Draw: Sandy Skiba Andy Anderson Meat Draw: Doris Bennett Faye Drummond Chuck Rolland Door Prize: Lorraine Leniuk

Thank you to the volunteers and ticket sellers. Sue Brunelle for selling the meat draw tickets and Sandy Skiba for selling the bottle draw. Thanks to Don Zalusky for setting up the tables and Eugene Leniuk for taking them down. Your help is always appreciated.

In December we will be having our Christmas Silent Auction. You can drop your donations at the Legion AFTER DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>. <u>New</u> items only, no perishable items, please do NOT exceed \$30.00.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Wear you favorite Christmas attire.

Respectfully Submitted *Karen Coumont/Sandy Skiba* 



Decem	ber Ch	reck out ou	r Daíly Mem	ıber Specía	ls!!	2023
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Band: Vinyl Revival	2 Bingo 1:00 pm Band: Start 7:30 pm Cold Hard Cash
<b>3</b> Open 11:00 am – 6:00 pm BeanBag Tourney Crib Playdowns	<b>4</b> Cribbage 1:30 pm Bingo 7:00 pm	<b>5</b> Darts 6:30 pm	<b>6</b> Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	7 7:00 pm Poker	8 Chase the Ace Christmas Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Open Jukebox	<b>9</b> Bingo 1:00 pm
<b>10</b> Open 11:00 am – 6:00 pm	<b>11</b> Cribbage 1:30 pm Bingo 7:00 pm	12 Executive Meeting 2:00 pm Darts 6:30 pm	13 Mah-jongg 1:00 pm O/60 Club Executive Meeting 4:00 pm General Meeting 7:30 pm	14 7:00 pm Poker	<b>15</b> Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Band: Karaoke & Caroling with Wayne	16 Bingo 1:00 pm
<b>17</b> Open 11:00 am – 6:00 pm Darts Playdown	<b>18</b> Cribbage 1:30 pm Bingo 7:00 pm	19 Darts Potluck 6:30 pm	<b>20</b> Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	21 O/60 Club General Meeting 7:00 pm Poker	22 Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Band: Open Jukebox	23 Bingo 1:00 pm
24 Closed Christmas Eve	25 Closed Christmas Day	26 Closed Boxing Day	<b>27</b> Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	28 7:00 pm Poker	<b>29</b> Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Band: Open Jukebox	<b>30</b> Bingo 1:00 pm
31 New Year's Eve Party 7pm Open 11:00 am – 1am						

January c		heck out our Daíly Member Specials!!			ls!!	2024	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	1 President's Levy 12:00-5pm Members only	2 Darts 6:30 pm	<b>3</b> Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	4 7:00 pm Poker	5 Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Band: Ramblin Fever	6 Bingo 1:00 pm	
<b>7</b> Open 10:00 am – 6:00 pm	<b>8</b> Cribbage 1:30 pm Bingo 7:00 pm	<b>9</b> Darts 6:30 pm	<b>10</b> Mah-jongg 1:00 pm	11 O/60 Club Executive Meeting 1:00 pm 7:00 pm Poker	<b>12</b> Chase the Ace Meat Draw: 4:30 pm Band: Rock of Edges	<b>13</b> Bingo 1:00 pm	
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