

# ZONE G 6 FALL COUNCIL REPORTS

September 08 2019

## Branch 240 Almonte

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Good afternoon Comrades. Welcome to our Fall Zone Council and thank you to Branch 240 Almonte for hosting. I trust everyone enjoyed our short summer.

This year I had the pleasure of attending New Years Day Levee's in Perth, Smiths Falls, Carleton Placer and Almonte. I thank each one for the warm welcome and look forward to attending the other branches this upcoming New Year. I attended Branch elections this spring in West Carleton, Smiths Falls, Arnprior, Kanata and Carleton Place. Congratulations to all newly elected and returning members.

I look forward to meeting everyone at the Branch inspections with Deputy Zone Commander Ken Manwell this fall.

I attended the Zone Commanders Workshop in Aurora in June, and am looking forward to a working with each and everyone of you to make your Branch and the Legion in general a success.

Yours in Comradeship

Rob Madore  
G6 Commander

Zone

## **Deputy Zone G6 Commander Report**

**Date: Sept.08/19**

**I feel honoured and privileged to be your Deputy Zone G6 Commander for the next two years. My wife Korleen and I attended our first duty as Deputy Zone G6 Commander at Kanata Br. # 638 for their Honours and Awards dinner on May 26<sup>th</sup>,2019. Thank you Branch President Bruce Judge and Honours and Awards Chair Lorraine Lapensee for making my wife & I feel right at home. It was an honour to be a presenter as well. I will also be attending the Ladies Auxiliary 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea of Legion Branch 192 on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>,2019.**

**Yours In Comradeship**

**Ken Manwell**

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**Royal Canadian Legion Zone G 6  
Balance Sheet As at May 31, 2019**

**ASSETS**

Bank Account	9,460.03
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>9,460.03</b>
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**LIABILITY**

PP&E Carried Forward	307.60
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PP&E from Branches	1,414.65
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PP&E Expended	-1,300.00
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>422.25</b>
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**EQUITY**

Retained Earnings from Previous Year	10,224.20
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Current Earnings	(1,186.42)
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Total Equity	9,037.78
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>9,460.03</b>
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**Royal Canadian Legion Zone G6  
INCOME STATEMENT June 01, 2018 to May 31, 2019**

**REVENUE**

Zone Per Capita Levy from Branches	1,797.60
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Sports Fund Contribution	.00
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<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b><u>1,797.60</u></b>
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**EXPENSES**

Web Hosting	917.40
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Honours, Awards & Recognition	409.31
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Public Speaking	746.46
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Guest Speaker Gifts	100.00
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Bank Charges	48.00
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Mileage & Conventions	762.85
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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>2,984.02</u></b>
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<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b><u>(1,186.42)</u></b>
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**ZONE G6 COUNCIL****BURSARY REPORT**

The last District G Bursary Meeting of the 2018-19 school year was held under the realm of Rita Behm, who has since retired from the position of Chair. Seventy-three applications were reviewed (11 from our Zone), and all but two were approved.

There is some controversy as to whether or not we can accept applications that have been signed by a blood relative. Hopefully, we will get direction from Ontario Command.

Respectfully submitted

George Dolan  
Zone Bursary Chair

## Zone Sports Report

We have completed 4 events with participation down in cards but Senior darts and Regular Darts Had a good turnout. We have a problem as there are 3 branches who seldom if ever participate , in one case they were the host club. There was an ineligible player at one event and was suspended until 2010. It is imperative that Branches check for eligibility before signing the entry forms.

### Results

#### Cribbage

Tom Watters, Jim Wilson, Harriet Farrell, Donna Keys	Br 616 West Carleton
Gloria Wilson, Arleen Morrow, Kevin Johnson Bernie day	Br, 616 West Carleton
Lorraine Leblanc, Gerry Houston, Jill Boss, Edith Leishman	Br 240 Almonte
George Dolan, Sheila Dolan, Shelly Mason, Bogie Procyk	Br 616 West Carleton
Don Buker, Barry MacGregor, Gerry Lewis, Don Lewis	Br 244 Perth
Don Vandusen Ken Manwell, Donavan Pretty Wayne Foster	Br 95 Smiths Falls

#### Darts Team

Wesley Reid, Andy Brown, Jodi Cook, Bill Don	Br 244 Perth
Max Green, Jim Chapman, Derek Bowden. Brenda Logan	Br 240 Almonte
Brian Comeau, Ron Comeau, Peter Schatter, Glen Spence	Br 192 Carleton Place

### Doubles

Westley Reid, Jodi Cook	Br 244 Perth
Lawrence Wark, Randy Armstrong,	Br 240 Almonte
Chad McDermid, George Dolan	Br 616 West Carleton
Andy Brown, Bill Don	Br 244 Perth

### Singles

Dan Timmis	Br 192 Carleton Place
Westly Reid	Br 244 Perth
JodiCook	Br 244 Perth
Andy Brown	Br 244 Perth

#### Senior Darts

Hendewich, Ivor Morris, Kevin Francis, Ron Comeau	Al Br 192 Carleton Place
Boggie Procyk George Dolan, Shiela Masson, Rob Gallant	Br 616 West Carleton
Bob Atkinson, Bob Giles, Jack Churchill, Paul Shane	Br 298 Lanark
Max Green Jim Chapman, Brenda Logan, Carl Bowden	Br 240 Almonte
Brenda L:ogan, Carl Bowden	Br 2240 Almonte
Al Hendewich, Ivor Morris	Br, 192 Carleton Place
Sheila Masson, Boggie Procyk	Br 616 West Carleton
George Bourgunion Ansom Edmunds	Br 95 Smiths Falls
Max Green	Br 240 Almonte
Jim Chapman	Br 240 Almonte
Tom Watters	Br 616 West Carleton
Al Hendewich	Br 192 Carleton Place

Euchre

Dale Bower, Gary Fournier, Brian Hebert, Dave Hitchcock  
 Charlie Cook, Roger Burke, Mary Clapp, Mary Tryon  
 Dianne Pattenaud, Ellis Jansen, Peter Patenaud, Bev Mitchell  
 Larry David, Marina David, Kevin Johnson, Wayne Bahry  
 Donna Keyes Gloria Wilson, Joh Keyes, Jim Wilson  
 Doris James, Helen Lancton, Ernie Nolan, Darlene Arthurs

Br 244 Perth  
 Br 244 Perth  
 Br 192 Carleton Place  
 Br.616 West Carleton  
 Br 616 West Carleton  
 Br 192 Carleton Place

I submit my Report  
 Stan Lasenba Zone Sports Officer

We have a problem with sports but I believe it also applies to every day branch affairs, in sports only 3 or 4 branches take part in most sports. As we always try to ensure every branch has an equal share of the money makers I am getting many complaints about helping the branches which never participate having some of the money makers, We even had one branch that hosted the event and had no one from their branch participate.

I need some advice and help to resolve this as it is becoming a major problem with our members

**ZONE G6 MEMBERSHIP REPORT  
SEPT 8, 2019 FALL COUNCIL**

**Paid Membership Summary by Branch  
As of 2019-08-30**

	Life	Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate	Affiliate Non Voting	Total	Previous Year Total	%
95 Smiths Falls	11	87	116	31		245	253	97%
174 Arnprior	8	74	112	35		229	283	81%
192 Carleton Place	15	131	193	31		370	348	106%
240 Almonte	8	68	234	30		340	359	95%
244 Perth-upon-Tay	13	112	260	51		436	487	90%
395 Lanark	1	10	36	17		64	67	96%
616 West Carleton	9	33	80	51		173	164	105%
638 Kanata	15	141	113	21	1	291	308	94%
<b>Total</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>1144</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2148</b>	<b>2269</b>	<b>95%</b>

Branches should have received their 2020 membership stickers by now and Early Bird Renewals should be well underway.

Membership in the Royal Canadian Legion continues to decline.  
Dominion is at 92.6%, Ontario at 92.7% and Zone G6 is at 95% (see below).

I encourage all branch membership chairs to use the Dominion web-site at [www.legion.ca](http://www.legion.ca)  
Phone Member services is 1-855-330-3344 and someone will walk you through the process to view the latest reports.

Jim Wilson  
Zone Membership Chair  
613 832 3222



## Youth Education-Public Speaking Report Fall Zone G-6 Council Sept. 8, 2019

With the new legion year upon us, I wish to congratulate the newly appointed or reappointed Branch Youth Education Chairs. **I ask each Branch to confirm with me at the Fall Zone G6 Council who their Youth Education Public Speaking Chair is for 2019-2020, if possible, please.**

I wish to take this opportunity to thank each Branch that participated in the 2019 Youth Education Public Speaking competition. A special thanks to Lanark and Smiths Falls for agreeing to integrate Perth participants with their Branch public speaking competition this year. It was very much appreciated.

All Branches should have received this year's Youth Education Package by now. Unfortunately, the package documents are not dated 2020. Please make mention to your YE-PS Chair to only use the contents of this package i.e. Rules and Regulations and forms and **to date them 2020**; that there are no changes in Public Speaking. Another resource is the Ontario Command Officers' Manual, June 2012 – Public Speaking, pages 138-147. A reminder to only use forms and regulations from the package issued the summer of 2019.

### **In addition to the forms and regulations, the Branch Public Speaking Chair will need to know:**

- **The Zone G6 Youth Education Public Speaking 2020 Competition is Sat. March 7, 2020**
- **The absolute deadline to submit your Branch winners is Tuesday, March 3, 2020**
- **Location: Branch #638-Kanata, 70 Hines Rd., Kanata, Ontario Phone: 613-591-5570**
- **Dates and locations of the 2020 District and Area level competitions to be announced at the latest in December.**
- **Zone G6 Youth Education Public Speaking prize amounts for each of the four categories are:**
  - **1<sup>st</sup> place \$40.00 / 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$30.00 / 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$20.00**
  - **Branch prize amounts should not exceed Zone prize amounts. It was agreed among the branches that only if a Branch is in a position/has the resources to increase the prize amounts for public speaking to the suggested amounts below that they do so. Something a Branch may wish to consider before making a prize amount decision is whether they wish to have the same prize amounts for the posters, poems and essays competition.**
  - **1<sup>st</sup> place \$30.00 / 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$20.00 / 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$10.00**

I ask each Branch to forward the above information on to their Youth Education Public Speaking (YE-PS) Chair as soon as is possible to allow plenty of time to organize the Branch 2020 YE-PS Competition in conjunction with the Zone G6 Youth Education Public Speaking March 7, 2020 competition date. In addition, the YE- PS Branch Chair could take advantage of the time there is now

to plan how best to promote the public speaking opportunity in their community to maintain or increase participation from past years.

The provision of a public speaking competition for youth is not only one of the best ways we can showcase the Legion in our local communities it is also an opportunity for youth to gain experience, self-confidence and skills!

**Suggested ways and means of how best to increase participation are to:**

- consider forming a Youth Education Committee to support the YE-PS Chair;
- establish a contact at each school;
- create a public speaking competition poster notice and post in schools, libraries, etc.
- when promoting the posters, poems and essays competition highlight public speaking to allow more time for schools to consider if possible to incorporate into the school curriculum;
- suggest public speaking as an extracurricular activity in the schools;
- approach youth organizations where public speaking may be a badge/award to achieve;
- to increase the reach, particularly home school students it is important to promote in social media in the community via local papers, church bulletins, community centres, stores;
- promote at your legion with posters, newsletters, email, website, social media

Youth Education Public Speaking highlights from the June 24, 2017 minutes of the Provincial Youth Education Committee are:

- It was moved and seconded that a projector is not allowed at a public speaking competition;
- It was moved and seconded that home schooled students are allowed to enter the public speaking competition;
- Where to send students: The normal procedure is that students compete at the branches closest to their schools. If a branch is not participating, then students are referred to another branch, under the same zone. If a school is not doing public speaking, then students are referred to the branch closest to their homes. Home schooled students are referred to the branch closest to their homes.
- Number of students schools to send to branches: The legion should encourage all students to participate in the public speaking program. There is no agreement as per the number of students that the school can send but schools with this query are to be referred to the branch and it is up to the branch to advise the schools on how many students they can accommodate at the competition

This ends my report and I move its' adoption.

Lorraine Lapensée  
Zone G6 Youth Education Public Speaking

L.A. ZONE COMMANDER'S REPORT  
SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

Head table guests, Comrades All. Good Afternoon everyone. The following is my report.

I am sorry that I could not attend the spring meeting due to illness that morning.

The ladies in Zone G6 have been very busy with helping their branch, catering to private lunches, funerals and dealing with flooding in their area.

On May 5<sup>th</sup> we held the annual Zone Convention with Provincial Officer Kim Adams in attendance. This year it was held in Carleton Place with approximately 40 members attending. It is always interesting to hear all the seven auxiliaries report on their finances and activities. Kanata L.A. had seven new members join this year. Carleton Place is celebrating 75 years and Smiths Falls 65 years. The Carleton Place L.A. will be holding their anniversary on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to both Auxiliaries. Next year's Zone Convention will be held in Kanata.

I was very pleased to present Comrade Johanna Walters with her Life Membership on May 26<sup>th</sup> at Kanata's Joint Annual Honours and Awards Night. I also attended a 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party in Smiths Falls for Comrade Heather Gard.

Starting in October, I will be making my Official Visits to all seven auxiliaries with my Deputy Zone Commander Elaine Madore. I always look forward to meeting with the members (old and new).

I will end this report by saying I am very proud of all the ladies in Zone G6 for supporting and donating their time to their branch.

Yours in comradeship,

Marilyn Devlin, Zone Commander, G6

## Royal Canadian Legion

### 2019 Fall Zone G6 Council Zone G6 Poppy Chairman Sept. 08, 2019

Good Morning Comrades:

In preparation for the 2019 Poppy Campaign and Poppy Fund Reporting, Command has already mailed out the information package and Promotional Material Catalogue for 2019 to all the Branches. If you have not received your packages, please let me know. Good news is that most of the information you will need to order supplies and complete your Branch Reports can be found on the Ontario Command website [www.on.legion.ca](http://www.on.legion.ca) under Poppy Materials section. I strongly recommend that each Branch President and each Poppy Chairman review the package received and refer to the website for any addition information and instruction.

Branch Poppy Chairman Responsibilities:

- 1) Branches will prepare and submit a Poppy Year End Poppy Trust Report to the Zone G6 Poppy Chairman prior to Oct. 20,2019.
- 2) Branch Poppy Chairman will gather the required information to produce the Branch Poppy Report and forward the required information to the Zone Poppy Chairman by electronic mail.
- 3) Report to include the following 5 items to be completed completely and accurately.
  - a. Poppy Inspection Checklist completed to validate all information needed;
  - b. Branch Status Report (BSR) not included in the package received but can be found on the Ontario Command website;
  - c. Complete Poppy Break Down Sheet;
  - d. Reviewed Poppy year end financial report (including copy of the up to date Branch Poppy Ledger)
  - e. Supporting the Financial report will be a copy of Financial Review Certificate. This is to validate that an audit was completed on the Branch Poppy Financial s.
- 4) When I receive and review the Branch reports if all is complete and accurate I will submit all reports together to District Poppy Chairman.

This year I will not be visiting the Branches. Any required reviews will be done by telephone. Branch Poppy Chairman can reach out to me at anytime should they have questions. I will be forwarding the Branch Poppy Chairman an email providing instructions and guidance to make this exercise painless as possible.

All Poppy Chairman should plan to attend the next Service Officer and Poppy Chair Seminars planned for October 5 & 6 held in Smiths Falls.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bogdan Procyk

#### Branch Zone G6 Poppy starting Numers

Almonte Br 240	29,911.25	Lannark Br 395	2,301.94
c.			
Arnprior Br 174	20,148.93	Perth Br 244	30,254.80
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Carleton Place Br 192	14,963.51	Smiths Falls Br 95	44,304.52
Kanata Br 638	21,334.14	Woodlawn Br 616	10,077.82

## Smiths Falls Br.# 95 President's Report

Branch 95 executives and our members are pleased to bring you greetings from the Rise of The Falls.

We at Br.95 are doing very well in a few of our activities such our weekly bingo's and our biweekly fish fries. The bingo's have been getting 100 plus players a week and our fish fries have been over 225 patrons per fish fry. Also we have had a lot of celebration of lives where our Ladies Auxiliary have been working tirelessly over the summer months making these events go off without a hitch. Congratulations to our backbone of the branch our Ladies Auxiliary. Our Legion week activities at the Branch will be as follows: Sunday, Sept.15<sup>th</sup> we will be having a church parade for the Battle of Britain at 10:00 A.M. at the Trinity United Church and our first Jamboree from 1:00 till 6:00 P.M. Wed. Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> we will hosting a Veteran's Luncheon at 12:00 noon for veterans, their spouses and caregivers. Also on Wed. we will be having an open house from 1:00 till 5:00 P.M. for all the public to see what we do for our veterans and the community. On Sat. Sept. 21<sup>th</sup> the entertainment committee will be having a Legion Week Dance from 8:00 TILL 12:00 P.M. Music by the Continentals. Admission will be \$10.00 person and tickets to be purchased at the door.

We have given out (5) bursaries at \$500 each to local high school students this past year. Our Wed. night dart league will be starting up on the first week of Sept.

We have 236 members in good standing and we have a total of (10) members who have deceased year to-date.

We will be hosting the District G6 VSO & Poppy Seminars on Oct.05<sup>th</sup> & 06<sup>th</sup>.

Yours In Comradeship

Ken Manwell

## **The Royal Canadian Legion**

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**September 08, 2019**

**Good Morning Comrades;**

**We have been working very hard and have had some success in turning our finances around.**

**Our membership stands at 240. We have lost several members this year and they are greatly missed.**

**We have had lots of hall bookings as well as great entertainment in our Lounge on Friday and Saturday evenings.**

**We have plans for a New Year's Eve Dance and are working toward a successful Levee.**

**Our Veteran's Appreciation Dinner is planned for Sunday September 15 at 1 pm to kick off Legion Week.**

**Our Poppy committee is gearing up for another busy campaign. We have a new chairman this year and our past chairman is acting as co-chair to ensure success.**

**We had 1 team of golfers participate at District level. We have euchre every Tuesday afternoon and darts on Friday evenings.**

**A breakfast is held once a month. Turnout was slow to start but is gradually growing.**

**Our Monday Bingo is always great especially on \$1000 dollar night.**

**We still have members who organize the local Santa Claus Parade and this year it will be on November 30.**

**Yours fraternally,**

**Peter R. Walsh, President, Branch 174, Arnprior**

## **Carleton Place Branch 192**

### **Zone Report 08 September 2019**

#### **Membership**

Branch # 192 continues to maintain a strong membership. Over the past year we have had a lot of new members, transfers, and we are up over 110 percent for 2019 renewals. Overall, last year we maintained our current membership and added 10%.

#### **Poppy**

Our 2019 Poppy Campaign plan is in the works and we look forward to yet another successful year. We wouldn't be able to raise the amount of money we do unless it wasn't for our great volunteers and the Town of Carleton Place.

#### **Veterans Service**

Our Branch Service officer continues to help assist us and our Veterans for assistance. The average used to be approximately 2 to 3 requests for assistance each month. These are for the most part, requests for assistance in filling out Veterans Affairs Canada forms. Throughout the summer our Service Officer assisted approximately 5 people.

#### **Finance**

The Branch finances are doing well; however, I would like to see us make a little more money so that we can continue to improve on our old building. Due to our building being so old; we have had to spend over \$10,000.00 over this last fiscal year to help maintain it as things have been breaking down and needed repair. This was not forecasted within our budget so our final year end finances shows us in the red approximately \$2500.00. I am not worried about finances as our bank account maintains to be over \$10,000.00 and business is doing well. Our Finance Committee is constantly looking at ways to save money and spend wisely. We continue to pay off our loan from RBC. This summer we purchased another \$7000.00 GIC to invest with helping pay off our loan which brings our total to just over \$14000.00 in GICs this year. This is our second year and we still plan on doing this every year for the next 3 years so that we can pay off our loan early. We have also started "Catch the Ace" and had our first draw last week. We have partnered up with the Carleton Place District Memorial Hospital Foundation to diversify the ticket sales. All profits will be split 50/50. I'm very optimistic that this lottery will be a huge income for us to maintain and repair our building.

#### **Ways and Means**

Our Ways and Means committee Chairman resigned due to moving away last Spring, so this position has been recently filled by a number member on our Executive. She continues to come up with innovative ideas to help make more money for our Branch. Just recently we had our Annual Corn Roast event and it was a huge success with a great turn out. The monthly Breakfast starts back up in September and we are looking forward to bringing in good crowds as this is a very good event. We still continue to have to plan our own Legion events well in advance due to all the rental bookings we are receiving. Our next big event is with the Almonte Pipes and Drums to hold a Tattoo to raise funds for the band. This will be on 15<sup>th</sup> September and should be a great event weather permitting. Hope to see you there.

**Ladies Auxiliary**

The Ladies Auxiliary are kept busy planning with various catering functions, fashion shows, craft & bake sales, and the many funerals that they cater among other things. Their sports are self sufficient, supporting themselves with weekly euchre parties, darts, bake sales and sport tournaments. The Ladies Auxiliary has an excellent relationship with the branch and enjoys working together on many projects. The LA continues to help donating funds to help pay with our renovations and upkeep of the building. This past year the LA donated \$12,000.00 to our Branch!!! Many thanks to them for helping us with the finances. The LA will be hosting an afternoon tea on 7<sup>th</sup> September from 1 – 4 pm to help celebrate their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Constitution, Bylaws and Resolutions**

The New Branch Regulations have been reviewed, approved and posted in the Branch. Nothing else to report.

**Sports**

We had a good year with our sports. We had teams playing Darts, Euchre, Cribbage, and Golf. Our Dart Leagues all start up in September and we look forward to having new people come out and play. We are with the West Dart League on Wednesday nights and this is becoming very popular. This now has Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday nights and Sunday afternoon for different dart leagues. All and all, everyone is having fun with the sports event in Branch 192.

**Overall**

**Branch 192 is in good shape. As mentioned, we are continuing with the renovations for our old building. As we save up money, we constantly prioritize what needs to be done to keep our building in the best shape possible. After a considerable amount of paperwork the Town of Carleton Place has agreed to give us 50% of Lottery funds raised to help pay with the operational expenses of our old building. And since we partnered up the Hospital Foundation with “Catch the Ace”, all profits will be put back into our building. We look forward to this lottery really taking off and bringing in great income.**

Respectfully submitted

OSB

Peter Schaffer  
 President  
 RCL Br 192  
 Carleton Place, ON





## **Branch 240 Report, September 08, 2019**

Branch 240 currently has 345 paid members for 2018. We are gaining new members to replace those lost by deaths and transfers. Our problem is renewals. If anybody has ideas on member retention, we would like to hear them.

Fundraising continues with the return of our Monthly Breakfast program on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month from September until June. Our 8th Annual Pig Roast, scheduled for Saturday, September 21, this is expected to be a major source of income and all Branches are invited to attend. Tickets are only \$15, and this year we have 2 different entertainers starting at 3pm until 11pm. We also operated a beer tent on Canada Day July 1<sup>st</sup>, this year was very successful. We are continuing to have great success with our weekly Wednesday wing night, we have included egg rolls and chicken fingers to the menu.

We have had a huge success with our Catch the Ace Draws. Our newest Licence has started, with the first weekly draw under way now, with draws every Friday @ 6pm.

A big thank you from our Sgt of Arms, to the Branches who helped out with the Colour Parties at the Battle of The Atlantic parade in May, and at the Highland Games in August. Also a big thank you to the Branches that donated to Battle of the Atlantic with your support we will be hosting again in May 2020.

I would also like to mention the reforming of the Almonte Legion Pipe Band, Big thank you to Comrade Neil MacLeod and his hard work with the Pipe Band.

Branch 240 hosted Provincial Washer Toss again this year. Our players played well, but came up short in the finals.

Respectfully submitted,

President  
Branch 240 Almonte

**Zone Council Report**  
**Branch 244, Perth-Upon-Tay**

Zone Commander and Comrades All:

I would like to start by sending my regrets for not attending today's fall council meeting as I am a poor sod that has to work on Sundays. Ironically, I work in Almonte so while I am not attending in body, I am with you in spirit.

Since the last report was filed by Past President Barry Boyce, many things have happened in a good way to our branch. This past spring we elected a brand new slate of executive officers with all positions filled with the exception of a Sgt-at-Arms and a Secretary. I am hopeful that those positions will be filled shortly. We actually had 10 people run for 5 positions on executive committees, which shows a tremendous shift in enthusiasm and positive forward thinking members.

Since the Provincial Trustees have left us in complete control of our branch, our financial situation has gone from bleak to extremely stable and improving steadily. We paid out over \$31,000. to charitable causes in the last year and have invested \$10,000.00 in GIC'trs with a healthy positive cash balance in our General Account to maintain financial stability going forward. This has been made possible in part due to the tremendous success we have having with Catch the Ace lottery. We have committed \$7,000.00 alone to providing special bins for every class in 6 local schools filled with recess equipment in concert with a co-sponsorship from our local Canadian Tire. These binds will be presented by the hard working and dedicated Sue Doran our P.R. And Communications Officer on the first day of Legion Week September 16<sup>th</sup>. Sue has also helped in a great way to put together a stellar week of festivities including a tree planting ceremony on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup> to honour all Veterans from the past to the present and beyond along with the installation of a special bench in memory of long term legionnaire and War Veteran Eric Devlin. We would like to invite everyone in our Zone who can make it to this very worthy event. HOY HOY!

With nothing but positive thinking and a new and dedicated executive going forward we look forward to even more celebrations of success in the coming months and years.

Yours in Comradeship

Jim Boldt  
President

**Perth-Upon-Tay, Branch 244**

## **Branch 395 Lanark**

September 2019

The Legion Branch 395 Lanark held its' elections in April 2019 and was able to fill the main positions of the Executive. The new Executive has been working very well together and trying to come up with ideas to make the Branch an inviting place.

The Branch remains financially stable. We have held 2 fundraisers where the music for one of the fundraisers was sponsored by a resident of the community, and the other fundraiser was sponsored by a Legion Member. In October, another fundraiser is scheduled, and it is also sponsored by a member of the community.

Once again, we had a very successful Canada Day and are looking forward to our Hunters Bash in November.

In 2004, the Legion had a retaining wall built in the backyard along with some other work. The retaining wall was not built to the specifications of the engineered diagram. In 2014, this became apparent to the Legion when the wall began to bow out in the center. This then became a safety issue. After numerous attempts to get the contractor to fix the wall with no success. In 2016, we engaged legal services to help get the contractor to fix the wall. After 3 years, we finally came to an agreement and the wall is finally being fixed by the contractor.

The Legion building requires much work to bring it up to health and safety standards and to make it aesthetically pleasing. Therefore, we applied for a license to conduct the lottery "Catch the Ace". Our application was accepted by the Township of Lanarkhighlands and we will be starting Catch the Ace at our Legion on September 7, 2019. We will be using our portion of the proceeds to fix up the Legion hall.

Membership is at 65. Hopefully this number can be raised as we are always trying to recruit new members.

The Ladies Auxiliary is small but supportive of the Branch.

The new Executive is a very supportive group and help wherever required. The Branch is a respected organization within the community, and provides support wherever it can within the Village of Lanark.

Respectfully Submitted

*Darleen Sargeant*

Delegates:

First Vice President – Robin Black

Second Vice President – Norma Melanson

Zone G6 Council  
West Carleton Branch 616  
President's Report  
September 8, 2019

As in 2017, our Branch was instrumental in providing food and comfort to many flood victims in our area. Thank you to the Zone Branches who provided monetarily and manpower wise to the cause. The effort was more intense this year and your support is greatly appreciated.

Thank you Kanata Branch for conducting elections on May 27<sup>th</sup> when a full slate of officers and executive were elected. Unfortunately, some have to take on more than one role. Hopefully we can get through the year unscathed.

The Branch had a healthy profit for the past fiscal year, but we had to spend \$5,000.00 on equipment, and some building repairs are needed. It seems we are all getting older.

We hosted some twenty Perley Rideau Veterans and their caregivers as well as members of the Korean Veteran's Association and guests for lunch on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, we were not able to provide the usual entertainment, but they provided their own entertainment. As usual it rained, but on a bright note, we were able to donate \$6,800.00 for the Health Care Foundation for equipment. We also donated \$1,000.00 to the Centurion Sea Cadets, thanks for their support on our Poppy Campaign.

Our go to band Nt Nrml provided the entertainment for our Canada Day festivities. We served up some burgers and dogs for those in attendance.

As usual, the summer months have been relatively slow, but with the aid of the Ladies Auxiliary we have been able to carry on our TGIF dinners, and the Carpet Bowlers enjoy their day at the Branch.

We plan to kick off Legion Week on Sunday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> with some musical entertainment, our Honours and Awards presentations, and a B.B.Q.

Our dart league will be starting up with the ladies on Tuesdays, singles on Wednesdays and men on Thursdays. We will wind up with a golf tournament on the Saturday, with a roast beef dinner and prizes back at the Branch.

Our Remembrance Ceremonies will be held Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, with a parade from The Constance Bay general store at 1:30 p.m. to the Branch for the Wreath laying and refreshments. All Branches are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted

George Dolan  
President

Zone G 6 Council Meeting September 09, 2018  
Branch 638 Kanata President's Report

Branch 638 Kanata continues to enjoy financial stability due to multiple sources of income, however, we continue to closely monitor our resources and prepare for unforeseen expenditures such as new stove and refrigerator replacements this year. Although the stove was in good working order, we needed a more up-to-date one due to increased usage. We were pleased to donate our old stove to the Orleans Branch. Our membership is 300 and continues to grow.

We have a large Executive Committee covering all aspects of the branch activities and facilities. Our organization structure is the President, three Vice Presidents, and Committee Chairs reporting through their designated Vice President. The Secretary, Treasurer, Sgt At Arms and various special positions report directly to the President. Everyone in the Branch is a volunteer; we do not have paid staff. We also enjoy a very good relationship with the Ladies Auxiliary.

Our current focus is on showcasing the Branch and outreaching to our community. We provide free meeting space to the Kanata Rotary Club, the West End Civitan Club and many other community not for profit organizations. Some of our activities include Bingo, Chase the Ace, Fish and Chips, Coffee Club, Cards, Darts, Seasonal Dinners and Dances, Potluck and Movies, various drop-in activities and an annual Charity Golf Tournament. We have a very active Colour Party supporting our Branch and other Branches when requested.

All in all we are a very happy and welcoming Branch.

Respectfully Submitted 15 Aug 2019

Bruce Judge CD  
President Branch 638 Kanata