



## ZONE G6 FALL COUNCIL REPORTS

September 12, 2021

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## The Royal Canadian Legion

District G – Zone G6

Ontario Provincial Command

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Good afternoon Comrades. Welcome to our Fall Zone Council. I trust everyone has enjoying our Covid restricted summer weather.

As most of us have experienced this past year, most branch functions have been cancelled due to Covid Restrictions. Limiting my attendance to your branches. I did attend all Branch inspections this past fall. Looks like we have some improvements to make for this year's inspections.

As of right now Branch elections are still on hold as per Provincial Command. We hope to have some direction soon. I will let you know as soon as I hear.

This past year I have attended many PEC meetings via Zoom.

I recently attended a Zone Commanders workshop in Prescott. We spent the day going over Financial reporting and Branch inspections. I hope to have all inspections completed by the middle of October.

Yours in Comradeship

Rob Madore

Zone G6 Commander

**Royal Canadian Legion Zone G 6**

**Balance Sheet As at May 31, 2021**

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Cash for deposit    | 0.00     |
| Bank Account        | 8,740.18 |
| Accounts Receivable | .00      |

**TOTAL ASSETS** **8,740.18**

**LIABILITY**

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Accounts Payable     | .00        |
| PP&E from Branches   | 1,318.60   |
| PP&E Carried Forward | 912.76     |
| PP&E Expended        | - 1,388.13 |

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** **843.23**

**EQUITY**

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Retained Earnings from Previous Year | 8,931.30  |
| Current Earnings                     | -1,034.35 |
| Total Equity                         | 7,896.95  |

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** **8,740.18**

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**INCOME STATEMENT June 01, 2020 to May 31, 2021**

**REVENUE**

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Zone Per Capita Levy from Branches | .00  |
| Sports Fund Contribution           | .00. |

**TOTAL REVENUE** **.00**

**Expenses**

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Web Hosting           | 674.00 |
| Mileage & Conventions | 262.35 |
| Guest Speaker Gifts   | 50.00  |
| Bank Charges          | 48.00  |

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **1,034.35**

**NET INCOME (LOSS)** **(1,034.35)**

**ZONE G6 VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER REPORT**

|                             | Branch 95    | Branch 174 | Branch 192     | Branch 240 | Branch 244 | Branch 395 | Branch 616 | Branch 638 |
|-----------------------------|--------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                             | Smiths Falls | Arnprior   | Carleton Place | Almonte    | Perth      | Lanark     | W.Carleton | Kanata     |
| <b>Visits</b>               |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Retirement                  | 7            |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Nursing                     |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Hospitals                   |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Provincial</b>           |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Visits                      |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Appointments                |              | 1          |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Service Officer</b>      |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Assist Legion App           |              |            |                |            |            | 1          |            |            |
| Assist Vet Affair App       | 5            |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Assist Quality of Life      |              | 1          |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Home Visit Forms            |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Financial</b>            |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Assist Veteran              | 1            |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Assist Widower              | 3            |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Advertise Provincial</b> |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Visit                       |              |            |                |            |            | 1          |            |            |
| Paper                       |              |            |                |            |            | 11         |            |            |
| Branch                      |              |            |                |            |            | 1          |            |            |
| Web-site                    |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
|                             |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Poppy Committee             |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Issues                      |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Other Activity</b>       |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Monthly Vet Appr Aft        |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Hearing Tests               | 1            |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Branch Seniors Club         |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Christmas Baskets           | 17           | 33         |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Remembrance Day Dinner      |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Member Service Clubs        |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Weekly Exercise             |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Classes                     |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Euchre                      |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Darts                       |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |
| Transportation              |              |            |                |            |            |            |            |            |

**Due to COVID, no in person visits, only communication by phone or email**

**Jim Jenkins, Zone G6 Veteran Service**

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## Youth Education-Public Speaking Report Fall Zone G-6 Council Sept. 12, 2021

As we are now in a fourth wave of the pandemic with cases rising and no approved vaccine for those 11 years of age and younger, we can only tentatively plan 2022 Youth Education Public Speaking Competitions (YE PS) at all levels. I have reserved the Kanata Legion, Branch #638 (as usual) to host the Zone G6 Youth Education Public Speaking Competition scheduled on Saturday, March 5, 2022. I am assuming as it was last year during these uncertain times, if the 2022 YE PS competitions must be cancelled a directive from the Provincial Youth Education Committee will be sent to all District YE PS Chairs and Zones and Branches will subsequently be notified at the latest in December.

**I ask each Branch to confirm with me their Youth Education Public Speaking Chair for 2021-2022 from the list below at the September 12, 2021, Zone G6 Council meeting, please**

|          |                |                 |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|
| Br. #174 | Almonte        | Pat Muldoon     |
| Br. #240 | Arnprior       | Donna Bell      |
| Br. #192 | Carleton Place | Ann Ecker       |
| Br. #638 | Kanata         | Brenda Grant    |
| Br. #395 | Lanark         | Shelley Roberts |
| Br. #244 | Perth-Upon-Tay | Marilyn Devlin  |
| Br. # 95 | Smiths Falls   | Helen Wilkinson |
| Br. #616 | West Carleton  | John Woodbeck   |

All Branches and Zones should have received from Ontario Command a Youth Education Package dated 15 July 2021, which includes the current Public Speaking Rules and Regulations and the current forms to be used. Since then, French Youth Education Public Speaking correspondence was emailed to me and is available upon request. Please inform your Youth Education Public Speaking Chair of this availability.

Aida Kostuck, Secretary, Provincial Youth Education Committee has requested Branches provide YE PS competitions dates, times, Branch and location as soon as the competition is scheduled in the event a youth is asking for where the nearest PS competition is she will have a Branch YE PS competition list to refer to. **Therefore, I ask each Zone G6 Branch to forward to me their Branch YE PS Competition date, registration times, location and phone number as soon after it is scheduled as possible, please.**

In the event the 2022 Public Speaking competitions will proceed, I ask each Branch to pass on the following information to their YE-PS Chair, please:

- Except for the Public Speaking Contest Statistics form, all other forms need to be dated 2022.
- A reminder to only use forms and regulations from the package issued the summer of 2021.

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

**•The absolute deadline to submit your Branch winners for Zone G6 YE PS competition is Tuesday, March 1, 2022**

**•Zone G6 YE PS competition location: Branch #638-Kanata, 70 Hines Rd., Kanata, Ontario  
Phone: 613-591-5570**

**•Dates and locations of the 2022 District and Area level competitions to be announced as soon as is possible**

•**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

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 if COVID19 protocols and safety measures permit 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.

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- 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 Royal Canadian Legio Zone G6

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**SPORTS REPORT  
FALL ZONE G6 Council Sept. 12, 2021**

As we had no sports last year, there is nothing to report except that the bank account shows that we have \$2,259. I have received a tentative schedule for District Sports and have brought copies for you. I plan on having a meeting in the very near future to discuss this with your Sports Officer. If you have a new Sports Officer, please send me their name and email ASAP. Hopefully we will be able to have a complete year of sports and fellowship.

I submit my report

Stan Lasenba

**ZONE G6 COUNCIL  
BURSARY REPORT  
September 12, 2021**

Word has it that there is a new Bursary Application Form which has not been posted yet on the Provincial Website, and the new Bursary can be up to \$1,000.00

Please keep any Bursary Applications totally confidential.

Respectfully submitted  
George Dolan  
Zone G6 Bursary Chair

## ZONE MEMBERSHIP REPORT SEPT 12, 2021

Legion membership has been declining over the past years and COVID-19 has further decreased the numbers. However, Br 174 is the exception with a 25% increase in membership. Well done.

Please find our zone membership figures below as of last Tuesday (Sept 7<sup>th</sup>). Please check with your membership chair if you disagree with these figures.

Branches should have received their 2022 membership stickers by now and Early Bird renewals should have started.

### PAID MEMBERSHIP AS OF SEPT 7, 2021

| Branch |                | Life | Ord' | Ass' | Aff'V | Other | Total | Prev Yr. | % Increase |
|--------|----------------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|----------|------------|
| 95     | Smiths Falls   | 9    | 64   | 91   | 27    |       | 191   | 238      | 80.25%     |
| 174    | Arnprior       | 9    | 72   | 120  | 35    | 1     | 237   | 190      | 124.74%    |
| 192    | Carleton Place | 12   | 118  | 177  | 35    |       | 342   | 389      | 87.92%     |
| 240    | Almonte        | 7    | 79   | 229  | 34    | 1     | 350   | 375      | 93.33%     |
| 244    | Perth-upon-Tay | 10   | 105  | 257  | 56    | 1     | 429   | 470      | 91.28%     |
| 395    | Lanark         | 1    | 11   | 27   | 20    |       | 59    | 58       | 101.72%    |
| 616    | West Carleton  | 8    | 25   | 69   | 44    |       | 146   | 163      | 89.57%     |
| 638    | Kanata         | 16   | 147  | 123  | 28    |       | 314   | 324      | 96.91%     |
| Totals |                | 72   | 621  | 1093 | 279   | 3     | 2068  | 2207     | 94%        |

### NEW MEMBERSHIP AS OF SEPT 7, 2021

| Branch |                | Ord' | Ass' | Aff'V | Other | Total | Prev Yr. | % Increase |
|--------|----------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|----------|------------|
| 95     | Smiths Falls   | 5    | 2    | 4     |       | 11    | 17       | 64.71%     |
| 174    | Arnprior       | 29   | 36   | 16    | 1     | 82    | 31       | 264.52%    |
| 192    | Carleton Place | 4    | 8    | 4     |       | 16    | 38       | 42.11%     |
| 240    | Almonte        | 6    | 9    | 3     |       | 18    | 36       | 50.00%     |
| 244    | Perth-upon-Tay | 1    | 6    | 1     |       | 8     | 34       | 23.53%     |
| 395    | Lanark         | 2    | 0    | 5     |       | 7     | 3        | 233.33%    |
| 616    | West Carleton  | 1    | 4    | 7     |       | 12    | 17       | 70.59%     |
| 638    | Kanata         | 8    | 7    | 4     |       | 19    | 41       | 46.34%     |
| Totals |                | 56   | 72   | 44    | 1     | 173   | 217      |            |

Jim Wilson

Zone G6 Membership Chair



**Royal Canadian Legion Zone G6**  
**SENIORS**  
**Gerry Dore**

Reports from the following branches:

**Br 192, Carleton Place**

Feeling sorry for those who live alone, not seeing their families for long periods, we tried sending lemonade, soup, but that was a drop in the bucket.

We celebrated the birthdays of 100 year old Gord Standing RCAF Vet and 101 year old Fred Dunlop.

Some Veterans who needed physiotherapy were unable to get any help. Some Veterans who needed foot care, dental and eye care did not get help.

The Almonte Pipe Band came and played for us.

Doris James

**Br 240, Almonte**

The Almonte newly formed Pipes and Drums Band was allowed to come and play outside the Almonte Seniors Residence.

Matt Carson

**Br 244, Perth-Upon-Tay**

Visits were made to Winnie Gilbert, Jack Manson, John Young and Pat Torey and a funeral service for Ella Thomson RCN.

Bob Day

**Br 616, West Carleton**

We have two senior groups that met at the legion. A regular group would meet the second Wednesday of the month, having a pot luck at noon followed by a meeting at 1:00. However, we have not met at the legion since the pandemic started 18 months.

However, we have met informally at our house outside twice each year in August. No meetings are planned as of yet. Some of them came to my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration a few weeks ago at the legion when I hired an entertainer and we maintained social distances. We are hoping to meet this fall since most are double vaxed.

Our carpet bowlers have not met either and it may be a little difficult for them to continue when they all share the same ball and it would have to be wiped every time.

Jim Wilson

**Br 638, Kanata**

Taking over the Senior Chair as Covid started, we were able to initiate a walking group, not many too advantage of it, but it was well received at first. Sick and visiting have been curtailed, however, we keep up with Birthday, Get Well and Sympathy cards.

Sue MacLean

Yours in comradeship

Gerry Dore

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**Royal Canadian Legion  
Zone G6 Council  
Zone G6 Poppy Chairman  
Sept 12, 2021**

Good morning, Comrades,

I trust you are all well and staying safe. I am sorry I was unable to join you at this meeting today. We are having a Family Event celebrating my Wife's birthday and I value my life too much to tell her I have a Legion meeting today 😊.

My report today will be the brief highlight of Poppy activities. Most of the branches have already received the details on these activities.

2021 Poppy Campaign:

This year's Poppy Campaign commences no earlier than Friday, October 29. All Branches should have received their Poppy Campaign kits which include the new promotional material catalogue. Ensure Branch Poppy supplies orders are completed by September 30. We are also celebrating the Legion 100th Anniversary of the Remembrance Poppy in Canada. Branches may want to do something special.

The Poppy Trust Report (2021)

All the forms that Branches must complete for their Reports are in the Poppy Campaign kits. I suggest that Chairman uses the latest versions of the reports to avoid rejection from Zone and District Poppy Chairman.

2021 Service Office / Poppy Chairman Workshop

Reminders that Service Officer/Poppy Chairman Workshop in District "G", to be held October 2, 2021. I sent the seminar registration forms to all the Branches and recommended that all Branch Service Officers and Poppy Chairmen attend this seminar. Dress is Legion Dress with Medals. Starting time is for the Service Officer will be 8:30 a.m. The Poppy Seminar will begin at 10:30 a.m." attached is a registration form. I am also recommending that those that contribute to completing the reports (finance managers) also attend.

Branch Poppy Report Beginning Balance

| <b>Branch</b> | <b>Starting Balance</b> |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| 95            | \$61,449.44             |
| 174           | \$46,961.88             |
| 192           | \$39,689.18             |
| 240           | \$33,170.75             |
| 244           | \$26,262.50             |
| 395           | \$3,021.19              |
| 616           | \$12,452.70             |
| 638           | \$43,731.25             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>\$266,738.89</b>     |

TAP TRIBUTE BOXES

The list of Branches in District G that have been asked to participate was forwarded to each Branch. Although there is Branch resistance to this change, I recommend we all try it at least in one location and learn how it will work. Feedback should be provided to Provincial Command so they can make continual improvements. The tap tribute boxes will be the way for future donations, so we should do our best to accept and adapt.

Any questions about this report should be directed to me.

I thank all the Branches for their cooperation and support of the Poppy Campaign and their administrative challenges.

Respectively submitted,



Chair Poppy Committee, Zone G6  
Bogdan Procyk  
613-878-8701

## **Smiths Falls Br 95 Zone Meeting 09/21**

With Ken resigning and as I was 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President I took on the position as President. It has been a very steep learning curve as most of the head table changed, Wayne Foster who was 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice declined as he did not want to be President again. This made it necessary to find a 1<sup>st</sup> Vice. And also a House Chair, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice and Treasurer. Claire Husson agreed to be our Treasurer and Ron Watt who has been a member for many years agreed to be House Chair and then also agreed to serve as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice. At this time a 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice is still required.

We have been able to restart our bi-weekly fish-fry and the numbers are increasing and now that we can have eat-in hopefully, unless more restrictions come in, this should continue. Chase the Ace also started and was won after only a very few weeks. Hopefully we will have the next one in a few weeks.

Our Lounge is only open on Friday afternoon when the pool players and a table of euchre players are in attendance. Our Poppy Chair Helen Wilkinson has her supplies on hand and waiting to hear if we will be able to have members sit in stores.

As we are financially sound Br 95 will be able to continue to do the work that will enable us to help our Vets and the Community.

I Submit my Report

Stan lasenba

President Br 95

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #174  
49 Daniel Street North, Arnprior, ON K7S 2K6

September 9, 2021

Greetings from Branch 174. It is sad to see that summer is once again coming to an end. The past months have been a struggle as I am sure it has been for all branches.

While we had very good success with take out burgers on Friday's and the monthly dinners, we saw a slight increase in volume with the easing of restrictions in June and being able to have patrons enjoy the meals in the hall.

The branch has been buzzing with activity in the resent weeks with community groups resuming meetings and having Cadet's host their weeklong day camp in August. We have had numerous requests for hall rentals for 2022.

Our Veterans Service Officer has been busy keeping in contact with local veterans. The branch will be holding a small Veteran's Appreciation Luncheon on September 19<sup>th</sup> to kick off Legion week.

All in all, the branch has been doing okay during the past few months. We have seen in increase in volunteers and patrons at the branch. During the last lockdown, through volunteers and donations we were able to have some much-needed flooring and carpet replaced and some walls painted. The branch had organized a couple online fundraisers, some more successful than others, but they have all been well received and participated in.

The branch has started the Early Bird Membership campaign in the community and look forward to being able to make plans for an in-person Remembrance Day if possible.

In comradeship,

Donna Bell  
President  
**Branch 174**

**The Capt. A. Roy Brown, Branch 192**  
**Carleton Place, Zone Report**  
**12 September 2021**

**Membership**

Branch # 192 has seen a drop in membership renewals for this past year due to COVID-19. Previous year we had 389 members in good standing compared to 342 currently at this time. We have had 16 new memberships, 3 transfers out and 1 transfer in. We have also had 8 online enrolments; however, we have had a lot of people say that they are having trouble trying to renew their membership online. Our Membership Chairman has been in touch with Command to coordinate. We have just started to open during the week and will monitor this closely as this should definitely help with our renewals.

**Poppy**

Our 2021 Poppy Campaign is in the planning stage. We are waiting for more guidance from the local Public Health Unit as well as Command for direction / restrictions with running this Campaign, i.e. people allowed to stand out in front of businesses, Remembrance Day restrictions, etc.

**Veterans Service**

Our Veterans Service officer has seen an average of 1-2 Veterans per month since the last report

**Finance**

The Branch finances are doing very well all things considered. In January, we started our Catch the Ace online lottery partnering back up with the Carleton Place and District Memorial Hospital Foundation and it took off with a vengeance. It ended at Week 26 with the Ace of Spades being drawn by one of our own Legion members. She took home just over \$141,000.00! We are still doing the last financials; however, our profit between both organizations is over \$121,000.00! Just over \$60,000.00 for our Branch. We are now into Week 4 of our current Catch the Ace and it is doing well. We again started our Jackpot at a minimum of \$10,000.00. It is a gamble but it does pay off big for us when we reach over the \$10K mark! On another note, a few of the Executive members attended a zoom seminar from the Ontario Trillium Foundation – Community Building Grant and we will be applying for this before the deadline of 29 September. More to follow on this next report.

**Ways and Means**

In August we had our Annual Corn Roast and the attendance was only satisfactory due to the weather. We are planning a Beef on the Bun take out dinner for the 17<sup>th</sup> September. As well, our rental hall bookings are picking up for the Fall into the Winter. This should bring in some good income.

**Ladies Auxiliary**

The Ladies Auxiliary have been pretty quiet due to COVID 19. They have not had any catering functions since the beginning of the pandemic.

**Constitution and Bylaws**

Nothing to report.

**Sports**

This past week we have restarted our Ladies Auxiliary Dart League and Men's drop in Darts on Tuesdays, a Branch Singles Dart League on Wednesdays and the Branch Mixed Dart League on Thursdays, and all are following the COVID protocols with regard to playing Darts. We will monitor the situation and adjust accordingly. This will definitely help with our Bar sales and overall income for the Branch. Hopefully they can play out the Season.

**Overall**

**It has been pretty quiet since the last report period. We are just starting to reopen our Branch to the public while following the COVID protocols. We keep monitoring our finances on a weekly basis. We are very flexible to adjust to the current situation as it changes due to COVID-19. We will make it through this!**

**Stay Healthy!**

Respectfully submitted

Peter Schaffer, President  
RCL Br 192  
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# **The Royal Canadian Legion**

District G – Zone 6

Ontario Provincial Command

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*Good afternoon Comrades. Welcome to our Fall Zone G6 Council Meeting. I hope everyone has enjoyed their hot summer.*

*Due to Covid-19 restrictions many functions that were planned for Branch 240 Almonte this past year and half were canceled. Since our last meeting via Zoom in the spring, Branch 240 has been surviving.*

*Branch 240 currently has 350 Members for 2021 down from 375 in 2020. We had a hard time retaining members while our branch was closed.*

*We took advantage of the Covid shutdown and started a renovation to our upper hall last year and we are happy to say they are pretty much complete. Looking forward to Covid restrictions to lighten up and get some hall rentals.*

*Our catch the ace draw has been switched to a provincial license and completely online. We have partnered with the Almonte general Hospital/Fairview Manor Foundation. With the Ace being caught in June with the winner getting \$58,000. We have started a new license with the first draw on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

*We have restarted our Wednesday Wing Night; this will be beneficial to our revenue moving forward. With recent Health Unit restrictions this has been a slow start for in-house dining, but our takeout service is doing well.*

*We have also started a monthly fish and chips on the first Friday of each month. This has been very successful for our branch.*

*We will be holding a fall BBQ/Corn Roast with live music. This event will be held in our parking lot on Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021.*

*Our Legion Pipe Band have been very active around our community playing as much as they can. They also offer lessons for anyone thinking of playing the bagpipes or drums. If anyone is interested please let me know.*

*Let all hope we can get back to normal. Stay safe and wear your mask.*

*Yours in Comradeship  
Rob Madore  
Branch 240 President*

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**Royal Canadian Legion  
Branch 244 Perth-Upon-Tay**

**President's Report**

I will not be attending this Fall Council. Health issues and too many other things on the go.

We were able to keep our primary bartender employed through the government programs that were and are to some degree still available. She was able to do weekly check ups on the branch and lots of cleaning.

Now that we like most are open under guidelines we are showing a slow resurgence of interest in hall rentals and our lounge sales are improving slowly. As we go forward we will no doubt be able to get things going again, to the point that we will have to hire some part time bar staff.

Our membership is steady and Early Bird is upon us and we anticipate slow but steady growth.

We got hit hard in the past year with some anticipated expenses to us for a new glass washer and we are concerned about how much life is left in our heating/cooling system. Financially, thanks to generous donations along with government assistance our bank balance has not been healthier in years. We just have to try to maintain that going forward.

Finally, knowing that Branch Inspections are just around the corner we would like to schedule ours as late in October as possible to allow our independent accountant to prepare for it.

I would like to send out my best regards and good wishes to all branches and wish them all well. Surviving the pandemic has been a true test of endurance for us all.

Yours in comradeship,

Jim Boldt. President  
*Branch 244*

## **Lanark Legion Branch 395 Presidents Report**

The Lanark Legion Branch 395 is doing well despite COVID-19 and the capacity limits required by the Leeds Grenville and Lanark Health Unit.

The Legion re-opened on July 17, 2021. The only activity at the branch at this time is our Saturday bar which is opened from 12:30 pm until closing. On average we have about 20 to 25 patrons visiting. We are also doing Catch the Ace at this time. The money being raised from Catch the Ace will definitely help with renovations in the future.

Our branch remains financially stable at this time and is able to meet all financial commitments. Membership at our branch continues to decrease and we are doing everything we can to try and get new members to join and members whose membership has lapsed to renew. Currently our membership is at 60 members.

We are currently in discussion with the Dart League to determine if we can hold darts this fall at the Legion. Capacity requirements and following the Health Unit requirements needs to be addressed and adhered to.

We continue to support the community, and have made donations to various charities within the community. We have also given bursaries to the 2 high schools in Perth for the 2021 graduating classes.

Our relationship with the Ladies Auxiliary remains strong although there is not much contact with their members, at this time, due to COVID. We remain in contact with the Ladies Auxiliary President.

Yours in Comradeship

Darleen Sargeant

President,  
Lanark Legion Branch 395

Delegates:

Norma Melanson – First Vice President

*Kirsten Wilson – Secretary*

**ZONE G6 COUNCIL  
WEST CARLETON BRANCH 616  
President's Report  
September 12, 2021**

Good morning Comrades. Branch 616 is still carrying on with the past executive, all of whom I commend for fulfilling their duties, with some duty changes.

Jim Wilson has taken over the Youth Education Chair from John Woodbeck.

Our membership stands at 145 with some new applications being processed.

Being shut down again in the Spring to Covid did not hurt us financially, as we had fewer expenses and we received all of the Legion and Government subsidies, to which we were entitled. We were still able to carry on with our takeout dinners every Friday. Instead of our usual TGIF, we prepared Applewood Smoked Pig with all the trimmings on Canada Day. We were able to re-open for business earlier than some due to our patio, and are now open five days a week with limited capacity. We had two hall rentals in August, which helped our coffers. On the down side we had some yearly and above normal bills, which ate into our profits, e.g. between one neighbour and the Branch we had twenty plus trees and brush cleared from our property at a cost of \$4,000.00

Donations from the Branch and Poppy Trust Funds include the West Carleton Resource Centre (Food Bank), the Homeless Veterans' Fund, the Rideau and Perley Health Care Foundation and the Centurion Sea Cadets.

We have receive our Business insurance through PIB at a 10% increase in premium, and our alcohol licence with AGCO.

We will be kicking off Legion Week a day early with a dart tournament on Sat. Sept. 18, followed by Honours and Awards on Sunday. The hall is booked as a polling station for the federal election on Monday. Ladies' darts will be on Tuesday, Mens' darts and Carpet Bowling on Thursday. TGIF dinner that week features Bogey's Parogies. The "Alf Currie Memorial Golf Tournament" will be held at the Edgewood Links on the Saturday, followed by amenities back at the Branch.

The Poppy Committee is getting geared up for the campaign in consultation with Kanata Branch in order to distinguish our territory. The plan is to have a scaled-down Remembrance Ceremony similar to last year on Sat. Nov. 6 at 1 P.M.

We request that our Annual Branch Inspection be held on Wed. Oct. 6 at 7 P.M.

Respectfully submitted  
George S. Dolan  
President

P.S. Don't forget to get out and vole !

## **Kanata Branch 638 Zone Report 12 September 2021**

At this time our membership is ever increasing with a current total of 310 members. In addition to membership renewals, we have had a number of non-members volunteering to help out during this pandemic and we look forward to their continued participation and perhaps membership.

Overall, we are financially in very good shape. Thanks to our many volunteers, the initiatives taken by the Branch Ways and Means Committee and, Ladies Auxiliary, we have seen overwhelmingly successful takeout events. Our ongoing bottle and beer can campaign has also been very lucrative. In addition, we have applied for and received Legion, Federal and Provincial grants to help the Branch through this pandemic. We have also received personal and corporate donations for which we are very grateful. We are now, hopefully, financially fit to see our way through and beyond the end of this pandemic.

Our Poppy Campaign was somewhat curtailed due to canvassing restrictions. No matter, all our volunteers persisted and the community generously responded. We continue to provide Veteran support through the Poppy Trust Fund and the work of our Veterans Services Officer and Committee. We also distribute funds raised by our gaming activities, such as Chase the Ace and Bingo, which is distributed by our Lottery Trust Fund to needy local not for profit community groups.

Our monthly column in the Kanata Community Voice newspaper has proven to be very successful in keeping the awareness of our status and fundraising activities in the minds of our community. This local newspaper is distributed in the mailboxes of over 37,000 residents and businesses in Kanata.

Yours in Comradeship,

Bruce Judge CD,

President, Kanata Branch 638