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BRANCH LINE

Inside this issue you will find.... what is happening this month... Committee Reports.... general information and a wee bit of humor too. We welcome your articles and will be more than glad to insert them in future issues. Thanks to those who have submitted in the past.

There will be no General Meetings for the Branch and Ladies Auxiliary for the months of July and August. The Branch Executive will continue with business at their monthly meetings.

The Tuesday Night Cribbage, Saturday Euchre and the Sunday Jamboree is cancelled for July and August.

Bob and I had the privilege to participate in the Tobermory Chi-Cheemaun Festival Parade on Saturday, June 21st. Cde Glen Hanley, Paisley Branch, has provided an excellent write-up and it is included in this bulletin.

We have another endeavour that we hope you will take part in. Zone Sgt-at-Arms Colin Hodson is planning a bus trip to the Warrior's Day Parade on August 16th. The poster has all the details and we hope you will consider joining the others for the day.

All the events happening at the Branch are open to the public so please bring your friends and join in the camaraderie.

The Editor



LEST WE FORGET



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We welcome 3 new Comrades to Branch 340 – Vicky & Alex Taylor and Terry Lane. Cde Linda Bart has transferred back to Branch 340 from Strathroy.

We are always looking for people to join this great organization and application forms are available at the Bar. Bring a friend and sign up today.

Sharen Maas
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POPPY REPORT

Poppy season is most certainly around the corner. Again, many thanks to all those who volunteered last year to make it the success it was.

Writing this on Canada day weekend, I and all Canadians should stop and reflect on the sacrifices our veterans made and continue to make for us. One way to thank them is to volunteer for the Poppy campaign. Remember we owe so much to them. A few hours of work is noted and ADMIRABLE.

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YOUTH EDUCATION

From the Chair of Youth Education, school is out for summer!
I am anticipating learning a lot at the 'Super Seminar' later this summer on this position.
I will be looking for judges and volunteers in the upcoming year for all aspects of Youth Education.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING In July



LADIES CARD CLUB
Tuesday Afternoons
Upstairs Hall
Start 1:30 pm

IN-HOUSE CRIBBAGE
Tuesday at 7:30 pm
Cancelled for July and August

BINGO every Wednesday
Doors open at 6:30 pm
Bingo at 7:30 pm –
\$700. Jackpot

EUCHRE
Thursday at 7:30 pm
Canteen

DANCE CLUB
Friday at 8:00 pm
Upstairs Hall

EUCHRE
Saturday at 1:30 pm
Cancelled for July and August

JAMBOREE
Sunday at 2 – 5 pm
Cancelled for July and August

MEAT RAFFLE
Saturday, July 12
4:00 pm - Canteen

All Legion events are open to the public. Bring your friends for an enjoyable time out.

BRANCH BARBECUE – Friday, June 27, 2014

Hello Comrades, our CANADA DAY Friday evening BBQ was met with overwhelming response!

Delightfully, our members contributed salads, desserts and their volunteer time. Our BBQ Chef extraordinaire 'Larry Dudgeon' cooked up some of the best burgers ever.

Thank you to each and every one of you for your preparations, cooking, clean up and of course 'presence'!! Our Bar Steward was very helpful to me and made sure everyone was welcome, thank you Tony!

We recognized a Branch profit in excess of \$300.00. This is very admirable.

We will be hosting Friday evening BBQ's on long weekends and will keep a volunteer sign up sheet in the members lounge prior to.

I am very appreciative of the Comradeship that has been expressed to me within our Legion Branch. Well done Branch #340!

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Enjoying the day are Randy Schultz; Elizabeth Eby, Barbecue Coordinator; Larry Dudgeon, Burger King and President Dan Kelly.

Lexy Eby and adopted Auntie Dianne MacDonald, who is from Marion Bridge on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. Welcome Auntie Dianne!!

Harry was sick and tired of being constantly badgered by his wife Barbara for spending so much time at the bar. Hoping it would help matters, Harry invited Barbara along with him.

"So what would you like?" Harry cordially asked, as she took her seat next to him. "Oh I don't know" Barbara replied, "I guess I'll take the same thing as you."

"OK" said Harry to the bartender, "we'll take two Johnny Walker's on the rocks!"

Barbara barely took a sip of the drink before she started gagging "Oh my gosh! Get me a cup of water! This stuff is horrible! How do you drink this garbage?"

"See?" said Harry "and you think I come here just to have a good time?!"



Saugeen Track and Field athletes collected 49 medals at the District "C" Meet in Cambridge on Sunday, June 29th. Presently 9 athletes have qualified for the District "C" Team which will be competing in the Provincial Championships on July 11-12, 2014.

Saugeen Track and Field Club District C Medalists 2014....

13 & Under Female			15 & Under Female		
Hannah Tait	300 M – 47.36	Silver	Nicole Tamming	300 M – 43.85	Bronze
	800 M – 2:36.62	Gold	Emily Hrudka	800 M – 2:36.50	Gold
Jessie Byers	800 M – 2:36.53	Silver	Kayla Beren	800 M – 2:40.07	Silver
	1200 M – 4:22.65	Gold	Nicole Tamming	800 M – 2:45.36	Bronze
Raelyn Pennington-Fritz	800 M – 2:57.75	Bronze	Emily Brandenhorst	High Jump – 1.55	Gold
	1200 M – 4:35.14	Silver		Triple Jump – 9.87	Silver
Maddie Eybergen	High Jump – 1.40	Gold			
17 & Under Female					
Hannah Diebold	Shot Put – 10.45 M	Gold – PB			
	Discus – 27.38 M	Silver – PB			
	Hammer – 31.07 M	Gold – PB			
Jessica Martin	800 M – 2:22.23	Gold			
Sarah Van Wyk	1500 M – 5:18.87	Bronze			
13 & Under Male			15 & Under Male		
Jeremy Elliott	Javelin – 28.32 M	Gold – PB	Tony Elliott	Shot Put – 13.90 M	Gold
	Shot Put – 8.79 M	Gold		Discus – 47.45 M	Gold
	Discus – 26.90 M	Gold – PB (ACR)		Hammer – 42.78 M	Gold
Joshua Zelek	800 M – 2:20.00	Gold	Mitch Ward	Javelin – 39.38 M	Silver
	1200 M – 3:59.73	Silver		Discus – 32.38 M	Bronze
Spencer Whitehead	1200 M – 4:36.01	Bronze		Hammer – 24.75 M	Silver
	High Jump - ??	Gold	Mackenzie Berard	800 M – 2:29.98	Bronze
Zack Eybergen	200 M – 33.66	Gold		1200 M – 4:21.12	Bronze
	High Jump – 1.10	Silver	Drew Horner	1200 M – 4:04.11	Silver
	Long Jump – 3.61	Gold			
17 & Under Male					
Aaron Gebhardt	Shot Put – 13.99 M	Gold – PB			
	Discus – 39.04 M	Silver – PB			
	Hammer – 21.5 M	Bronze			
Cameron Hoggrath	400 M – 52.81	Bronze			
	800 M – 2:06.60	Gold			
Mitch Heyink	800 M – 2:08.52	Silver			
	1500 M – 4:41.05	Bronze			
Dan Hilbers	3000 M – 9:29.27	Gold			
	1500 M – 4:23.01	Silver			
Adam Tait	1500 M – 4:17.29	Gold			
Aiden Subject	1200 M	4 th			
Steve Dejager	1500 M	4 th			
Nathan Jeffrey	800 M	4 th			
	1500 M	5 th			
Jessie Byers	Long Jump – 3.60 M	5 th			

Earl Farrell
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AIR CADETS
340 (Griffin) Squadron, Port Elgin



The Port Elgin Air Cadet Squadron 340 has had a very busy and productive year. We have finished the year with 38 very enthusiastic cadets, 20 of them will be attending various 2, 3 or 6 week summer camps this summer.

Our year has been jam packed with activities and the cadets have shown their dedication and commitment to the squadron at every turn. The Legion Poppy Drive was very successful this year as well as the cadet Tag Day. Bravo!

Despite the weather, the Remembrance Day Parade was lovely with a great number of cadets in attendance. Same can be said for the Santa Claus Parades held in Port Elgin and Southampton. We had a lovely Squadron Mess Dinner at the Legion just before Christmas and the squadron would like to thank the members of the Legion for making that so wonderful. Thank you.

The cadets showed really well in February at the Zone Air Rifle Competition and again in April at the BBAW Sports Competition. Good job everyone. The cadets got a taste of what it takes to survive in the wild during Survival Training at the Griffin in May.

The cadets displayed their commitment to community and keeping it looking beautiful when they volunteered for the Independent Grocer Clean-Up for 2 days in May. Armed with nothing but a garbage bag and a smile the cadets worked hard to clean up debris around the Independent and left it looking a lot nicer for shoppers. Well done.

This Cadet year saw the formation of a Cadet Band, led by Mr. Ridley Gillmore, with the Band travelling to see the Toronto Symphony in April. The Band received the Sennheiser Award with a cheque for \$1200 to help set up our new group.

We also had Effective Speaking resume within Cadets and thanks to Mr. Rudresh Pandya's wonderful efforts we had a Cadet from 340 Squadron go to the next level of competition.

This year also welcomed the use of our secondary headquarters in Southampton – The “Griffin” – now being used for many purposes.

The Cadets celebrated the end of the year with their 35th Annual Review at the Plex on June 8, 2014. The Reviewing Officer for the event was Capt. Thomas Rivett, a former 340 Squadron Cadet, now a member of The Canadian Armed Forces. The Cadets showed great respect on the parade square and showed off their rifle drill team and range abilities.



There were many awards given out to deserving cadets such as the Peer Award. This award is chosen by the Squadron and goes to the person that the rest of the Squadron looks up to and has learned from the most. This honor went to WOII Hayley Laur. Well done Hayley.

As the Cadet year comes to a close for the summer and we say goodbye till September, the Cadets also had to say goodbye to someone that was very dedicated to the group. We would like to say a very special Thank You and Best Wishes to LT(N) Bob Buckton for his many years of dedicated service; first with our 340 Squadron, then with 311 Cape Hurd Sea Cadets and most recently back with our 340 Squadron. Due to unforeseen circumstances LT(N) Buckton has chosen to retire from active duty. We wish you and your family all the best, you will be missed.

The 340 Squadron would also like to take this opportunity to thank the RCL Branch 340 Port Elgin and the RCL Branch 155 Southampton for your continued support and financial aid. We would also like to thank the Legion Ladies Auxiliary for their support with our Mess Dinner, our Annual Review and their continued support throughout the year. To our sponsoring committee, thank you for your assistance and encouragement. And to the parents and guardians of

the 340 Port Elgin Cadets, thank you for always being supportive of us and our commitment to the Squadron, for the endless rides to and from our Cadet responsibilities, and activities and for believing in us and supporting us. Thank you.



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Wise (Old) Man

A wise old gentleman retired and purchased a modest home near a junior high school. He spent the first few weeks of his retirement in peace and contentment. Then a new school year began. The very next afternoon three young boys, full of youthful, after-school enthusiasm, came down his street, beating merrily on every trash can they encountered. The crashing percussion continued day after day, until finally the wise old man decided it was time to take some action.

The next afternoon, he walked out to meet the young percussionists as they banged their way down the street. Stopping them, he said, "You kids are a lot of fun. I like to see you express your exuberance like that. In fact, I used to do the same thing when I was your age. Will you do me a favor? I'll give you each a dollar if you'll promise to come around every day and do your thing." The kids were elated and continued to do a bang-up job on the trashcans.

After a few days, the old-timer greeted the kids again, but this time he had a sad smile on his face. "This recession's really putting a big dent in my income," he told them. "From now on, I'll only be able to pay you 50 cents to beat on the cans." The noisemakers were obviously displeased, but they accepted his offer and continued their afternoon ruckus.

A few days later, the wily retiree approached them again as they drummed their way down the street. "Look," he said, "I haven't received my Social Security check yet, so I'm not going to be able to give you more than 25 cents. Will that be okay?"

"A lousy quarter?" the drum leader exclaimed. "If you think we're going to waste our time, beating these cans around for a quarter, you're nuts! No way, mister. We quit!" And the old man enjoyed peace and serenity for the rest of his days.



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Entertainment

Bruce County Country

Saturday, August 2nd
8:00 pm – Midnight

Event is open to the Public – Please join us!



40th Anniversary of the CHI CHEEMAUN FESTIVAL Saturday, June 21st Tobermory, ON

President Rick Lane of Tobermory Branch had put out a call for support from Branches to carry the Legion colours in the Tobermory Chi-Cheemaun Festival Parade. Thanks to Vicki Hanley from Br 295 Paisley for offering to get a bus arranged to travel from Paisley to Tobermory stopping at all the Branches on the way to pick up all who wanted to attend. Vicki also offered to donate her time as driver of the bus.

We started in Paisley where eight people came on. Next Port Elgin Branch had two people with their colours, Tara Branch had one with their colours, Hepworth-Shallow Lake Branch had two people on the bus with their colours and also two more did come from their Branch, but drove themselves. We stopped at Wiarton where the second member from Hepworth-Shallow Lake got on. The last stop was Lion's Head Branch. No body rode the bus from here; however one person with their colours drove to be part of the parade.

We formed up by the Ferry Dock and with the members from Tobermory we had nineteen Legionnaires in the parade. Along with several Canadian flags and one Ensign we had Branch Colours from Paisley, Port Elgin, Tara, Hepworth Shallow Lake, Lions Head and Tobermory flying throughout the parade. This was great to see and was a great showing for the Legion as a whole.

As we were walking to the form up area, we ran into a Veteran's biker group who were on a ride up the peninsula then on the Ferry and tour around northern Ontario. Once they realized that the Tobermory Branch was organizing the parade and there was a nice contingent of Legionnaires in the parade, they got off their bikes, got out their banner and joined in the parade with us. Their colours looked great on their vests and they also showed great support of the Legion within them.

After the parade we enjoyed comradeship at the Tobermory Branch. Here President Rick supplied us with a cheque for \$50.00 to assist with the cost of bus. Thanks Tobermory, Br 290. This with \$100.00 donation from Br 295 Paisley made the cost for the few on the bus much more affordable.

We left Tobermory and stopped into Wiarton Branch and Hepworth-Shallow Lake to enjoy comradeship at each.

The day, although not greatly attended, was enjoyed by all and was a great showing for the Legions in the area. It also shows that when requested and with just a little effort there is great support among the Branches.

Thanks to all who attended and to Paisley and Tobermory for the donations for the bus. Last but not least, thanks to Vicki for supplying her time to drive the bus.

Glen Hanley
Br 295 Paisley





**The 93rd Warriors' Day Parade
A March Past of Canadian Military History - Past & Present**

**Saturday, August 16, 2014 10:30am
Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto**

**In Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Great War
and the 70th Anniversary of D-Day**

BUS TRIP to the Warrior's Day Parade

Zone Sgt-at-Arms Colin Hodson is planning a bus trip to transport any individuals wishing to attend the Warrior's Day Parade.

Participants would be picked up at Owen Sound Branch and Chatsworth Branch and proceed to Toronto – Pick-up time to be confirmed.

Invitation is extended to Legion members and anyone who may want a day-away.

The price of the trip will depend on how many interested parties there are.

PERSONNEL MARCHING ON PARADE WILL RECEIVE TICKETS IN ADVANCE

PERSONS ATTENDING FOR THE DAY WILL PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE GATE

Please contact Cde Colin if you are interested in attending at 519-372-0672 or colinhodson42@hotmail.com.

Deadline to RSVP to Cde Colin is Friday, July 25, 2014

Warrior's Day Parade: More information contact
<http://www.thewarriorsdayparade.ca/Index.htm>



Hepworth Shallow Lake Legion
9 Legion Road, Hepworth

is having a

SUMMER BARBECUE

Saturday, July 26

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.



Hamburger & Fries



Sausage on a Bun



Various Salads



also serving



Corn on the Cob



Squares, Tea & Coffee

\$10.00 – Children under 10 - \$5.00

Take out available



Limited tickets – call 519-935-2902 to Reserve


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6	7	8 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM	9 BINGO 7:30 PM	10 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	11 DANCE CLUB 8:00 PM	12 MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM
13	14	15 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM	16 BINGO 7:30 PM	17 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	18 DANCE CLUB 8:00 PM	19
20	21	22 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM	23 BINGO 7:30 PM	24 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	25 DANCE CLUB 8:00 PM	26
27	28	29 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM <hr/> EXEC. MTG 7:30 PM	30 BINGO 7:30 PM	31 EUCHRE 7:30 PM		

Please join us for our various events

Event Times and Dates Subject to Change