

Royal Canadian Legion Br. 340

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Inside this issue you will find.... what is happening this month... 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.

Youth Education

Hello Comrades.

On behalf of the Youth Education Chair, I am delighted to report our Branch #340 Public Speaking Competition is continuing on Sunday February 28 in our Legion Hall.

We are expecting an assortment of students from 2 out of 3 Elementary schools this year.

Each Elementary school has different curriculum and we understand their parameters.

We are anticipating 15 students advancing from our Elementary/Secondary schools instead of the regular 30.

My personal thanks to our President and Executive Staff for their assistance.

In Comradeship,
Elizabeth Eby
Youth Education



Upcoming Events

March 12

Meat Draw 4pm

March 26

Meat Draw 4pm

March 17

St Patrick's Day

Important Announcement

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Branch Line, please submit to Andrew Reinhart at andyreinhart@hotmail.com



Poppy

The Poppy Chair is very quiet these days. However, if we can be of any assistance to a Veteran please do not hesitate to contact us or Branch #340 for any questions.

In Comradeship,
Elizabeth Eby (Blair Eby)
Co-Poppy Chair
#519 832 3133



Membership

We are looking for new members. There does not have to be a Military connection. We need our current members to come out to the meetings, first Tuesday of the month. Bring your friends and enjoy the Comradeship. Thanks,

Sharen Maas
Membership Chair



Around the Branch

General Meeting

Tuesday March 1st at 7:30pm in the Main Hall

Bingo Volunteers Needed

Wednesday evenings upper hall

Colour Party Volunteers Needed

Please give contact Info to Andrew Reinhart.

andyreinhart@hotmail.com



Open Letter

Dear Comrades.

Travelling is so very exciting. The anticipation is marvellous, the complete 'joy' as to your surroundings is wonderful, and then unfortunately someone falls ill, and it comes to a halt, much like hitting a concrete wall.

Puerto Vallarta, Mexico is a destination that our family has trusted for more than 20 years and continues to be so. Yes, we had an upset on our regular family vacation with an unforeseen critical illness to Blair. Rest assured in the medical care at Ameri-Med Hospital in Puerto Vallarta. In fact, Ameri-Med has 4 hospitals in the 'vacation' spots of Mexico. Call me at home prior to booking your sun destination, I'm pleased to explain it to you and also very pleased to explain travel medical insurance.

Travelling to anywhere in the world? I've had a lot of time to research 'what' travel medical will see you through your needs, and your families needs. Blue Cross coverage is likely best. CIBC or regular 'bank insurance' will at the end of your hospital stay 'bankrupt' you, that is if your even alive, they don't wish to pay or assist. I haven't been able to source out as of today whether they are genuinely a Canadian company or offshore. Believe me, it's all very interesting.

In short, Blair is coming along. Barbershop will reopen on light duty next week once Dad is home and light duty for Ebs. Go easy on Dad, he is after all 78.

On behalf of our family, eternal thanks to all of you. Your conscious thoughts, prayers and 'expedited' wishes were heard. My husband is alive, and getting well.

Our Eby Family says 'THANK YOU and GOD BLESS'

Sincerely,

Elizabeth, Blair, Brock and Elexis Eby
Anne & Barrie Eby (Sr)

Home phone 519 832 3133



SPORTS

TERMS OF REFERENCE

PORT ELGIN BRANCH 340

All participants must attend 2 General Meetings a year to be eligible for the branch to pay your registration

Expense sheets must be signed & forwarded to the Treasurer for payment

ZONE & DISTRICT EVENTS

See "travel allowance" if applicable

PROVINCIAL EVENTS

Meals: Breakfast - \$5
 Lunch - \$5
 Dinner - \$15

TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

0 – 100 Km \$0
100 – km & over \$.25 km

Motels will be covered if over 250 km one way to a maximum of \$100, per 2-person room.

If less than 250 km – needs Branch 340 Executive approval

Approved by Branch 340 – 2016

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***** NOTICE OF ITINERARY VISIT *****

The undersigned will be visiting Br. 006 - Owen Sound
during the week of:
April 18th - 21st, 2016

If your Branch requires a visit kindly advise not later than
March 28th, 2016.

The actual Itinerary notice of time and place will be mailed out immediately following receipt of your request for a visit.

Rebecca Calder Provincial
Service Officer

INTERVIEW REQUEST FORM

Detach and return to the London Service Bureau ONLY if your Branch requires a visit.

Branch 340 - Port Elgin requires a visit.
Branch No. and Name

The following interviews have been requested by:

<u>Regimental No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
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Branch Service Officer

Branch Secretary

Phone #

Phone #

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1 Ladies Card Group 1:30 pm General Meeting 7:30 pm	2 Bingo 7:30 pm	3 Euchre 7:30 pm	4 Dance Club 8:00 pm	5 Euchre 1:30 pm
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 Draw 4:00 pm Euchre 1:30 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 Euchre 1:30 pm
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 Meat Draw 4:00 pm Euchre 1:30 pm
27	28	29 Ladies Card Group 1:30 pm Exec Meeting 7:30 pm	30 Bingo 7:30 pm	31 Euchre 7:30 pm		

Cenotaph Artwork Price List

Items are available with either the '**Royal Canadian. Legion or Auxiliary Crest**'. Prices are subject to change upon availability of items.

Coffee Mug	\$15.00	
Apron	\$25.00	
T-Shirt or Golf Shirt	\$24.00	(Size Small, Medium, Large & X-Lg)
T-Shirt or Golf Shirt	\$27.00	(Size XXL plus)
Canvas Bags	\$15.00	
Stationary	\$15.00	10 pack of cards and envelopes

PRINTS – Double matted, non-glare glass and solid wood frame

8 x 10	\$ 49.00	
11 x 14	\$129.00	
16x20	\$169.00	
5 x 7	\$20.00-	single matting and plastic frame

Many more promotional items are available for printing. If you're looking for something special, just ask! Sweatshirts will be available soon.

Contact Information - Elizabeth/Blair Eby

#519-832.-3133 or bizebys@gmail.com

A Viewing stand is in the Canteen