



Port Elgin Legion - Branch 340

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February 2009 Branch Line

Congratulations to our January Trivia Night Winners – Fred Knibb, Harold Smith and Tony Weisgerber. Way to go fella's.

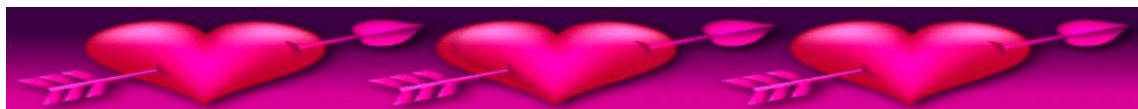
Mark your calendar for our "Support Our Troops" day on Saturday, February 14th. We will be having a Meat Roll that day and the monies will be donated to this fund. Support the Meat Roll and you help support our troops – show them that you care.

For all you sports fans, please note the new location of the Sports Board as you enter the Canteen from the rear entrance. There is still time to sign up for the upcoming tournaments.

Unfortunately, the Zone Sports Fun Nights have been cancelled, effective immediately. If you or anyone you know attends these events, please pass on this information.

Check out the poster for the Curling Bonspiel. Remember this is open to the public too. Get your team together and sign up today! It would be a shame to cancel this fun day event due to lack of curlers. Even if you have never curled before, there will be someone to guide you along.

The Editors



**The Royal Canadian Legion – Port Elgin Branch 340
General Meeting Minutes
January 06, 2009**

1. **Call to Order:**

President Nigel Ord called the Meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and opened in the usual manner.

Present: Cdes. Norma Dudgeon, Mary Alexander, Mike Atkinson, Ruth Clemmer, Kathy Eastwood, Celeste Eickholdt, Rhonda Harrison, Robert Harrison, Dan Kelly and Gord Kelly

INITIATION OF CANDIDATES:

The following individuals were initiated: Bonnie Lynn McCourt (A) and Robert McCourt (A)

2. **Treasurer's Report:**

MOTION by Cde Alexina Atkinson, seconded by Cde Bob Maas that the Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2008 be adopted as read.

Revenue	\$ 36,101.49
Expense	<u>\$ 29,547.83</u>
Net Income	\$ 6,553.66

Total Liabilities & Equity as of November 30, 2008 \$ 368,309.27

CARRIED

2.1 **Errors and Omissions:**

Page 3 - Income Statement: should read "2nd Installment - Cenotaph Park"

3. **Adoption of Minutes:**

MOTION by Cde Alexina Atkinson, seconded by Cde Gord Kelly that the General Meeting Minutes of December 02, 2008 be adopted as read.

CARRIED

MOTION by Cde Robert Harrison, seconded by Cde Dan Kelly that the Executive Meeting Minutes of December 30, 2008 be adopted as read.

CARRIED

4. **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

4.1 **Committee Reports:**

T.O.D: Norma Dudgeon

Should read "Our Branch By-laws will be reviewed and necessary changes made after the Provincial draft by-laws have been approved at Provincial Convention. Until then, our By-laws will remain in effect."

5. **Unfinished Business:**

Nil

6. **Correspondence:**

Nil

7. **Committee Reports:**

Membership: Rhonda Harrison

MOTION by Cde Robert Harrison, seconded by Cde Dan Kelly that we accept the application from Diane Rourke for Ordinary Membership under her father, William Delmer Elliott.

CARRIED

MOTION by Cde Dan Kelly, seconded by Cde Bob Maas that we accept the application from Brian Lang for Affiliate Voting Membership.

CARRIED

MOTION by Cde Robert Harrison, seconded by Cde Don Clemmer that we accept the application from Ronald (Mike) Graupner for Affiliate Voting Membership.

PRO: Robert Harrison

He encourages everyone to participate in the Annual Cliff Seaman Chili Cook-off on January 24th.
Dates are being considered for the Branch Curling Bonspiel.

Sports: Ruth Clemmer

Upcoming Events include:

- Zone Team Mixed Darts: Sunday, February 22, hosted by Southampton Branch
- Zone Double Mixed Darts: Sunday, March 08, hosted by Tara Branch
- Zone 8 Ball Pool: Sunday, March 29, hosted by Owen Sound Branch
- District 8 Ball Pool: Saturday, May 09, hosted by Port Elgin Branch
- Fun Night: Tuesday, January 13, hosted by Tara Branch
- Fun Night: Tuesday, March 10, hosted by Port Elgin Branch

Cde Ruth is very concerned regarding the lack of participation with the events. Sports are a very important element in any Branch. If we don't have any members participating in these events, we are not eligible to host any of the events.

The events are listed on the Sports Board located in the hallway as you enter the Games Room. Suggestions are welcome as to a better location which would be easily visible for the members.

New dart boards have been installed.

Ways and Means: Dan Kelly

Meat Raffles: Total amount raised in 2008 was \$20,056.09.

Thanks to Tom Jacques and his team for doing a great job during the month of December.

Bingo: Games are still going well. The weather does affect the attendance. Thanks to Fred Knibb and his team. A report will be completed at the end of the fiscal year.

Property: Nigel Ord

Temporary repair has been done on the glass washer. Parts have been ordered and the machine will be fixed properly at that time.

Hall Rentals: Nigel Ord

The new hall rate will not affect the contracts signed prior to January 01st.

Honors & Awards: Mike Atkinson

Still working on distributing the Years of Service pins.

8. **New and General Business:**

8.1 Cde Alexina Atkinson enquired as to the profits realized from the Pumpkinfest Breakfasts. President Ord to report at the next meeting.

9. **Motion of Adjournment:**

MOTION by Cde Gordon Kelly that this Meeting now adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

CARRIED

10. **Closing Ceremony**

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

Nigel Ord, President

Rhonda Harrison, Secretary

SPORTS COMMITTEE

BRANCH 340 – SINGLES & DOUBLES DARTS

Sunday, February 08th – 2 People per Team

Held at Branch 486, Hepworth/Shallow Lake

Registration from 10:00 – 10:30 am

Sign up sheet are located on the Sports Board. Have your paid up Membership Card (or receipt) with you when you enter this Sport.

Let's get as many teams from our Legion involved in the Tournament. Please contact me if you have any inquiries.

Ruth Clemmer
Sports Officer
519.934.2115



WHAT'S HAPPENING



PUB NIGHT ~ 8 TO MIDNIGHT

February 14 - "Country Motion"

Valentines' Dance

February 28 - TBA

TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, February 20 at 8:00

Sign Up Sheet at Bar

MEAT ROLLS at 4:00 pm

Saturday ~ February 14 & 28

Support our Troops Day - Feb. 14

BINGO EVERY WEDNESDAY

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Bingo at 7:30 p.m. \$700.00 Jackpot

IN MEMORIAM



INKSTER, Robert Stratton -- (Veteran WWII) - Robert Stratton Inkster of Port Elgin died on January 5, 2009 at Saugeen Memorial Hospital, Southampton, in his 89th year. Son of the late Lt. Colonel Fred B. Inkster and May Osler Inkster. Survived by his loving wife, Chip, (Yvonne) of 63 years and by their children Mikey (Soni) of Toronto, Penny of Port Elgin, Bobby (Wanda) of Niagara Falls, Timmy (Sylvia) of Burlington and Billy (Pam) of Port Elgin, ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Predeceased by his daughter Wendy Anne. Also survived by two sisters, Katherine Ferguson of Ottawa and Muriel Hornell of Oakville. Served as a Major of the 4th Princess Louise Dragoon Guards in Europe during WWII. At his request, his remains were cremated and will be interred in the family plot in Beachwood cemetery, Ottawa, at a later date. Memorial donations to the Saugeen Memorial Hospital Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to GREY BRUCE CREMATION and BURIAL SERVICES 519-371-8507.

Karen Smith Retirement



On Sunday, January 18th, members of Branch 340 joined Karen Smith to celebrate her Retirement with a Party.

Cde Dan Kelly wishes Karen all the best and thanks for many years of service as Chief Bar Steward



Cde Karen, Cde Dan Kelly and Cde Brenda Collins.



Thank you Karen – for everything – all the jobs, big and small, which you did.
It is all appreciated and we wish you all the best in your retirement.

6th ANNUAL CLIFF SEAMAN CHILI COOK-OFF



Judge Ann Veyvara proceeds to place the tiara on 1st Place Winner Dick MacDonald





Winners of the 6th Annual Cliff Seaman Memorial Chili Cook-off
2nd Place – Ernie Seaman, 1st Place – Dick MacDonald and 3rd Place Blair Eby



Judges (L – R) Harold Tuck, Shoreline Beacon; Police Chief Dan Rivett; Mayor Mike Smith; Harvey Blenkhorn, Comrade and Ann Veyvara, 98 The Beach.



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1	2	3 GEN. MTG 8:00 PM	4 BINGO 7:30 PM	5 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	6 BALLROOM DANCING 8:30 PM	7
8	9	10 L/A GEN. MTG 8:00 PM	11 BINGO 7:30 PM	12 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	13 BALLROOM DANCING 8:30 PM	14 MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM PUB NITE 8:00 PM 
15	16  FAMILY DAY	17	18 BINGO 7:30 PM	19 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	20 BALLROOM DANCING 8:30 PM TRIVIA NITE 8:00 PM	21
22	23	24 EXEC. MTG 7:30 PM	25 BINGO 7:30 PM	26 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	27	28 MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM PUB NITE 8:00 PM CURLING BONSPIEL

~ Please join us for our various events and help support your Branch ~

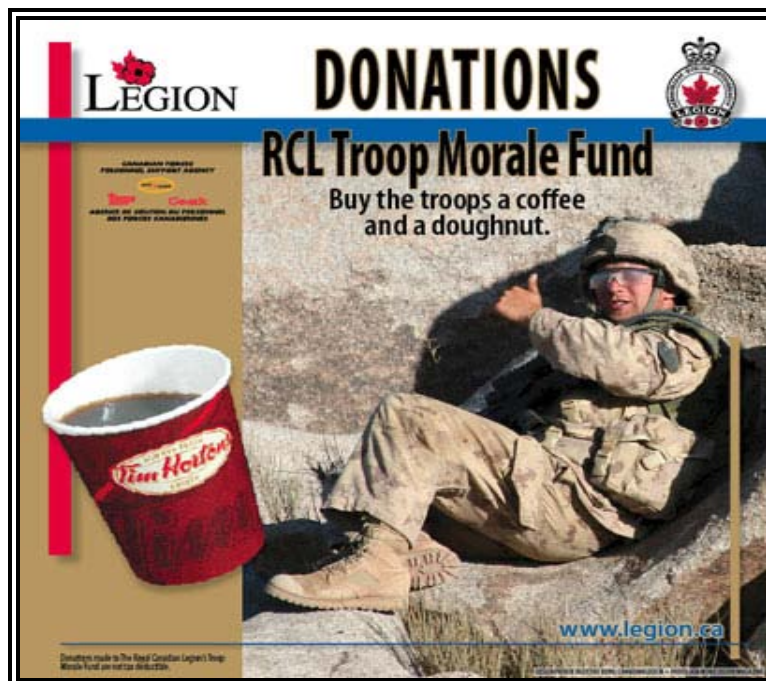


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630 GREEN ST

MEAT RAFFLE

Saturday, February 14th at 4:00 pm

February 14th has been declared "Support our Troops Day"
Monies raised will be forwarded to the
RCL Troop Morale Fund



Help Branch 340 support our Troops
Each donation is greatly appreciated



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CURLING BONSPIEL

Saturday, February 28, 2009
Port Elgin Curling Club

\$30.00 per person
Includes Curling, Light Lunch, Dinner and Prizes

Sign up sheet available at Canteen
Please pay when registering
Deadline for registration ...February 21st

For information contact
Bar Steward ~ 519-389-9917





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Valentine's Dance

***Saturday, February 14th
8:00 - Midnight***

**Entertainment provided by
“Country Motion”**

