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All Branch Mail Out #31

Date: May 30,2022

TO: NS/NU Branches
NS/NU Executive Council
NS/NU Zone Commanders
NS/NU Past Presidents
NS/NU Command Staff

From: Comrade Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte
Executive Director
NS/NU Command, RCL

Subject: NS/NU Command Executive Council Meeting
Minutes, May 14,2022

Message: Comrades: Please find attached
Minutes of Executive Council Meeting
Minutes, May 14,2022.

**The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2022**

In Attendance:

Donna McRury	President
Don McCumber	1st Vice-President
George Della Valle	2 nd Vice President
Conrad Gilbert	Treasurer
Marion Fryday-Cook	Acting Chairman
	Immediate Past President
Clarence Dawe	Commander District A
Lorne MacDonald	Commander District B
Robert Hoeg	Commander District C
Harry Jackson	Commander District D
Darryl Cook	Commander District E
Joanne Geddes	Designate District F
Cliff Laurin	Deputy Commander District G
Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte	Executive Director
Jane Scott	Recording Secretary

Present for Report:

Ken George	Command Service Officer
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NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook assumed the position of Chairman and called the meeting to order at 08:40 am.

1. Opening Ritual

NS/NU Command 1st Vice President Don McCumber conducted the Opening Ritual.

2. Procedures

NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook reviewed the meeting's procedures.

M - 1

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

To vary from the agenda.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

3. Service Officer Report

NS/NU Command Service Officer Ken George referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 2

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the Service Officer Report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command 1st Vice President Don McCumber thanked Comrade Ken George for his report.

NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook excused Comrade Ken George from the meeting.

4. Minutes of Executive Council Meeting

NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook called for errors and omissions from the minutes of the Executive Council Meeting of February 26, 2022.

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte informed the meeting that Motion 61 should read Articles 4-15 to 5-16.

M - 3

Moved by Comrade McRury seconded by Comrade Jackson.

That the Minutes of Executive Council meeting of February 26, 2022 be adopted as distributed.

12Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

5. Business Arising from the Minutes of Executive Council Meeting February 26, 2022

No business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting was brought to the attention of the meeting.

6. President's Remarks and Report

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury referred the meeting to her submitted report. In addition, she added that there have been increased calls to Command that should be addressed from the District and the Zone level. She asked that Zone and District Commanders please remind their Branches of the Chain of Command. If training is required within the District, she asked that a request be made.

Zoom meetings are currently being set up with District and Zone Commanders to review their respective Terms of Reference. President McRury requested that the Executive Director remain present for the Personnel Committee report. She informed the meeting that she will be forming a committee to look at a restructure plan to be presented at the Executive Council meeting in September.

M - 4

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Della Valle

That the President's Report be accepted

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

7. Personnel Report

Recording ceased at approximately 8.55 am.

Recording resumed at approximately 9.16 am.

(The recording secretary was provided with the following information on the Personnel Committee Report).

M - 5

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the Personnel Committee Report and recommendations be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

8. D.E.C Report

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury referred the meeting to submitted report. She added that there had been discussion around the approving authority for the Cadet Medal of Excellence and outlined that any change would need to be brought forward as a resolution.

She reported that any members that have concerns with AIG Insurance and the Chip Reverse Mortgage Partner should contact Membership at Dominion Command.

She reported that she raised the issue at Dominion Executive Council of unauthorized donations made from RCL Branch poppy trust funds published in Legion Magazine and the RCL Newsletter. She received assurances that the matter will be reviewed by staff at National Command.

She reminded the meeting that crosses and wreaths are not to be resold.

NS/NU Command will be forming a Centenary Committee to bring awareness to the Legion's Celebration of its 100th Anniversary in 2026. She asked that each District Commander send the names of two people in the district to NS/NU Command Executive Director so that the planning stages can begin. NS/NU Immediate Past President Marion Fryday- Cook will chair the committee.

M - 6

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the D.E.C Report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

9. Finance Report

NS/NU Command Finance Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 7

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the Finance Report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

10. Treasurer's Report

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert reported that there is one GIC that will become due in July. He reported that there are still some Branches that are not submitting their reports on time and asked that the District and Zone Commanders work to improve this. He informed the meeting that a new fillable version (except for the signature blocks) of the Branch Monthly Financial Report Form was sent out as ABMO #27 and that it is also available to download from the NS/NU Command website.

M - 8

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

11. Correspondence

NS/NU Command Executive Director read a thank you card from a member recipient of the Platinum Jubilee Pin.

She reported that Dominion Command had provided notice that the EFT disbursements have been made for the funds collected from the tap poppy boxes and the Starbucks collection boxes. Branches need to check their legion.ca e-mail address for the pay advice.

She relayed to the meeting that the Veterans Transition Network Atlantic Region Representative is asking for permission to contact each District Commander so that he can

explain the program to Branches. Unless otherwise directed, by Tuesday May 17 2022, NS/NU Command Executive Director will provide the contact details to him so that arrangements can be made.

12. Executive Director's Report

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 9

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the Executive Director's report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

13. Electronic Voting

NS/NU Command Executive Director referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 10

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the Electronic Voting report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

14. District Reports

District A

NS/NU Command District A Commander Clarence Dawe referred the meeting to submitted report.

District B

NS/NU Command District B Commander Lorne MacDonald referred the meeting to submitted report. He added that two Branches in Zone 6 are considering amalgamation.

District C

NS/NU Command District C Commander Robert Hoeg referred the meeting to submitted report. He added that there is a volunteer for the Zone 7 Commander position and that once a Zone Meeting is scheduled a vote will take place.

District D

NS/NU Command District D Commander Harry Jackson referred the meeting to submitted report he added that he is still waiting on an answer from the individual concerned for the Zone 9 position.

District E

NS/NU Command District E Commander Darryl Cook referred the meeting to submitted report. He added that 3 Branches are running Veteran Coffee Programs and Branch 044 is running Operation Vet Build. NS/NU Command Executive Director asked that the names of these Branches be emailed to her.

District F

NS/NU Command District F Designate Joanne Geddes referred the meeting to submitted report and added that Branch 164 will be sending in their updated Executive list to NS/NU Command.

District G

NS/NU Command District G Deputy Commander Cliff Laurin referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 11

Moved by Comrade McRury seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the District Reports be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

The meeting was recessed at 9.56 am.

The meeting resumed at 10.06 am.

15. Committee Reports

Comrade Della Valle assumed the Chair.

Appeals

NS/NU Command Appeals Committee Chairman Marion Fryday-Cook referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 12

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade MacDonald.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Benevolent Fund

NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund Committee Chairman Marion Fryday-Cook referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 13

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Fryday-Cook assumed the Chair

Building

NS/NU Command Building Committee Chairman Don McCumber informed the meeting that two prints donated by former bookkeeper Anne MacGregor have been mounted in the boardroom.

M - 14

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Dawe.

That the report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Bursary/Scholarship

NS/NU Command Bursary and Scholarship Committee Chairman Darryl Cook referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 15

Moved by Comrade Cook, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Cadet Medal of Excellence

NS/NU Command Cadet Medal of Excellence Committee Chairman Cliff Laurin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 16

Moved by Comrade Laurin, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Complaints

NS/NU Command Acting Chairman Marion Fryday- Cook referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 17

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade George Della-Valle.

That the report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Constitution and By-Laws Report

NS/NU Command Constitution and By-Laws Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report. He informed the meeting that all questions pertaining to the Standardized Branch By-Laws are to be sent to NS/NU Command Executive Director who will then forward them to NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook.

M - 18

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the proposed amendment/change to the NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund Terms of Reference in the NS/NU Command Policy and Guidelines be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Ritual, Awards and Protocol

NS/NU Command Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 19

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Leadership /Development

NS/NU Command Acting Chairman Marion Fryday- Cook referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 20

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Della Valle assumed the Chair

Legion Magazine

NS/NU Command Legion Magazine Representative Marion Fryday- Cook referred the meeting to submitted report. She added that she has resubmitted everything that has been sent in since October. She will send out an ABMO regarding the requirements for submissions to the Legion Magazine.

M - 21

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Fryday-Cook assumed the Chair

Alcohol and Gaming

NS/NU Command Committee Chairman Harry Jackson informed the meeting of no report.

Membership

NS/NU Command Membership Committee Chairman Lorne MacDonald referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 22

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Poppy and Remembrance

NS/NU Command Poppy and Remembrance Committee Chairman Clarence Dawe reported that the new part- biodegradable wreaths will be supplied this year.

M - 23

Moved by Comrade Dawe, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the Poppy and Remembrance Report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Public Relations

No report.

Resolutions

NS/NU Command Resolutions Committee Chairman Conrad Gilbert informed the meeting of no report.

Sports

NS/NU Command Sports Committee Chairman Robert Hoeg referred the meeting to submitted report. He highlighted that Comrade Harry Jackson has accepted the role of NS/NU Track and Field Representative for the Nationals. He asked as to whether Comrade Jackson's expenses would be covered and if NS/NU Command would be supplying a Nunavut and a Nova Scotia flag for the event. NS/NU Command Executive Director confirmed that the amount has been budgeted to send a Track and Field Representative to the Nationals and that the flags would be provided by NS/NU Command.

M - 24

Moved by Comrade Hoeg, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans Service Recognition Book

NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 25

Moved by Comrade Jackson, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans Outreach.

NS/NU Command Committee Chairman George Della Valle referred the meeting to submitted report. He also displayed a recent photo from the Invictus Games. He informed the meeting that the committee has been in discussion with Camp Maple Leaf (a camp for children of military families both serving and no longer serving) about the possibility of supporting 3 campers.

NS/NU Command Executive Director outlined that Camp Maple Leaf is looking in the next few years to establish a camping experience with leadership components for older children of military veterans.

M - 26

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

16. Scheduled Business/New Business

Appointment to NS Seniors Advisory Council

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury announced her intention to appoint NS/NU Command Zone 3 Commander John Langley and NS/NU Command Chaplain Reverend Canon David Fletcher to share the responsibilities of the committee.

M - 27

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the appointments be ratified.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Della Valle assumed the Chair.

Standardized Branch Bylaws

NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook informed the meeting, as outlined in ABMO #19, that all Branches are to complete Annex A and submit to Command no later than May 31, 2022. She advised that any changes to the Standardized Branch Bylaws will be considered through the resolution process. She outlined that specific items pertaining to Branches need to be included within the Branch Policy Manual.

It was agreed that Annex A will be added to the Forms section on the NS/NU Command website.

Comrade Fryday-Cook assumed the Chair

Mentorship Team

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury informed the meeting that a mentorship team has been put in place to assist a Branch within District F. She advised that the mentorship team stay in place with NS/NU Immediate Past President Marion Fryday-Cook as Chair, at least until the Branch elections in 2022.

American Income Life

NS/NU Command Executive Director informed the meeting of communication from AIL voicing that the strategy of continuing the partnership through contacting the Branches

directly is not viable. She relayed the most recent proposal from AIL to continue the partnership with NS/NU Command.

M - 28

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade Geddes.

That AIL be informed that NS/NU Command maintains it's position on the matter of partnership.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Ad hoc Committee Branch Assistance

NS/NU Command Branch Assistance Ad hoc Committee Chairman Conrad Gilbert outlined that NS/NU Command received \$100,000 from the Government of Nova Scotia for Branch Assistance. He informed the meeting that to date 34 applications for Branch Special Assistance have been received. It is expected that funds will be dispersed by the end of May to the Branches most in need of assistance.

M - 29

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McCumber.

That the report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

LCAP 2022

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert informed the meeting that 2022 selection process for the Legion Capital Assistance Program has been completed. NS/NU Command Executive Director informed the meeting that ministerial approval is still required for final approval.

M - 30

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

17. Other Business

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury outlined that if Branches are in violation of Bylaw 1008, Zone and District Commanders will be sent in to perform an audit.

She asked that reports for Executive Council meetings be submitted by the deadline provided to NS/NU Command Executive Director. If there is no report please write the committee's name, committee members and state no report at this time on your submission.

She reminded the meeting that NS/NU Command Executive Director is to be copied in all correspondence from Committee Chairmen; the channel of communication is to be followed whereby any questions are to be forwarded to the Executive Director for appropriate dissemination and follow up and that the channel of communication is not direct to Dominion Command.

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury informed the meeting that she has contacted District Commanders regarding specific Branches in crisis and asks that she receive response urgently.

She requested that Comrade Hoeg please respond regarding a convenient date for a Zone 7 Zoom meeting.

Next Meeting

The next Executive Council meeting will be on September 24, 2022, at 8.30 am.

18. President's Closing Remarks

NS/NU Command President Donna McRury thanked Executive Council and staff for all of their work

M - 31

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade McCumber.

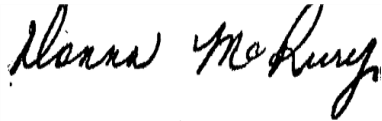
That the meeting be adjourned.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11.39 am.

19. Closing Ritual

The Closing Ritual was conducted by NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President George Della Valle.



Donna McRury
President
Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
The Royal Canadian Legion



Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte
Executive Director
Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
The Royal Canadian Legion

NS/NU Command Executive Council Veterans Services Report

Our bureau is dealing with Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) disability applications, reviews/appeals and when requested assist with Benevolent fund applications.

Since 1 Jan and as of 29 April 2022:

- We are handling 268 open/active VAC files (note 1)
- We had 56 favorable VAC disability claim decisions.
- We have been responsible for \$ 4,520,979.92 dollars awarded. Which is the equivalent to financial lump sums for VAC disability claims. As important to these monetary pay outs are the medical benefits given to each person for the rest of their life.
- Withdrawn claims 35 (note 2)
- We are now allowing clients to come in for interviews and we are using standard COVID precautions.

Note 1 - This includes Disability claims (first applications and departmental reviews), but also such things as Veterans Independence Program applications, Caregiver Recognition Benefit applications, Survivor applications, etc.

Note 2 - Claims are withdrawn for various reasons such as Veterans moving and not forwarding new contact information or Veterans not following through with their responsibilities in the process after an excess of a 5 months of assistance.

Since 1 Jan 2021, our Bureau Service Officers participated in Monthly National Service Officer teleconferences. The Bi-Annual Service Officer Professional Development in Charlottetown PE that was postponed until 2022 looks like it's going ahead this fall.

On behalf of the Command Service Bureau, thanks to all Branch Service Officers, Branch Executive and members for their dedication and determination. Also, to the Command Executive for their unwavering support. The work of the Service Bureau would not be accomplished without all your assistance.

Ken George, CD
Command Servicer Officer

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Veteran Services

President's Report
Executive Council Report
May, 2022

Comrades,

Thank you for taking the time out of your weekend to gather for our meeting, unfortunately via Zoom again. While there maybe Comrades that would have aspired to gather in person, we cannot take the chance due to the COVID numbers as is. As President, when concerns come to my attention regarding the safety of our members, I will put safety first

Updates with our Command are as follows:

After having two meetings with a Branch trying to find a resolve for ongoing issues , a Mentorship Team in now in place to help conduct the business and train all members in their respected offices of the branch. To date there has been no removal of the Executive from the Branch but for the best interest of the Branch a Mentorship Team has been put in place until their elections in December.

The longest serving members of NS/NU Command as agreed March 22 Special Executive Council meeting have received queens Platinum Jubilee Lapel Pins. I have also sent the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Lapel Pin to the Past President of NS/NU Command for the work they have done as Presidents with our sincere thanks. I have received positive feedback from the recipients, they were very thankful.

With NS/NU Command being short staffed, we will be having interviews to fill the position of Bookkeeper/Clerk and Service officer, early May. An update will follow at our meeting by the Chairman of the Personnel Committee.

April 21 was the closing date of recommendations for suggested changes/ revisions to the allowable expense via Poppy Trust Fund. At our last meeting, I had asked the District Commander to reach out to the Zone commanders and Branches regarding any suggested changes/ revisions. Hopefully, all District and Zone Commanders as well as Branches took advantage of this important opportunity.

We are in the process of arranging to have each District provide the dates of their upcoming meeting. The reason being that the Sub Executive can attend the meeting to allow all members can meet the Sub Executive.

With Branches opening, I am asking District Commander if there are any Branches that has good news stories that they share to help others may take part with planning an event or learning how. There are Branches that are struggling within our Command, if we can give them the "how to" tools, it may be effective. The constant changes with our world today, I ask that you remain strong and continue to advocate for our Veterans. Thank you for all your continued

hard work and dedication to our Veterans, Branches and to our members of Command. I would also ask each Comrade to thank your family for allowing The Royal Canadian Legion to be part of your family. I hope that soon we will be able to meet face to face without any fear of the pandemic we continue to face.

In closing, I would like to thank Comrade Valerie our Executive Director and staff for all their diligence and commitment to NS/NU Command, especially being short staffed, our office continued to operate and thankfully no Veteran was without our assistance. On behalf of NS/NU Command, I offer my sincere thanks.

Yours in Comradeship

Donna McRury

President

NS/NU Command

The Royal Canadian Legion.

DEC Report

April 30th -May 1st, 2022

Dominion Command met at the Legion House for a two-day meeting. All Provincial Commands and Special Sections were in attendance. Congratulations to all outgoing members of Dominion Command were extended from the Grand President Comrade Larry and Comrade President Bruce. All outgoing members had the opportunity to speak before the closing in which they reciprocated thanks to the Executive Director of Dominion Command Comrade Steven and staff for all their guidance when called upon.

Discussion regarding the incidents surrounding the War Memorial, all members are encouraged to view statements released from Dominion Command so that we are informed. You can research the information by the following:

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/london/veterans-saddened-by-use-of-canadian-flag-by-convoy-protesters-1.6348734>

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/ctv-national-news>

There will be positive changes moving forward through Leadership and Development. We are encouraged to find avenues to increase our membership such as hosting a Legion Day. Discussed at the meeting was that we as Commands and Branches should share all good news stories. By doing so we in turn will be able to gather ideas that may work in our Command and Branches. More information will be coming forward on a calendar online where we can upload .

Treasurer's Report:

Membership is up 12,000 to date. NSNU Command renewal is at 74.1% also we are at 8.8% with our auto renewals.

VAC will be returning to office on a limited schedule, at this time the focus is on having the medical team in the office. More information will be coming regarding VAC returning.

Poppy Report:

Poppy Fund Direct Deposit was discussed, and a reminder was issued that all Branches must submit the information required. Pay Tribute Box for the upcoming Remembrance period will be sent only to the Branches that are willing to participate. A reminder that if the Branch agrees then, they are responsible to make certain they are used. All funds from the past Pay Tribute Boxes will be sent out by May 3rd.

The Queen's jubilee Lapel pin was discussed regarding the wearing for the pin on the Legion dress as well as the time frame, information will be sent out. If anyone wishes to receive the lapel pin, they are free for ordering, we only have to pay the postage and handling. They are shipped in quantity of 5.

The biodegradable Poppy, Wreaths and Cross were showcased. We will be using the biodegradable's once we have depleted the inventory in hand.

Membership Report:

There has been an increase in membership one of the very few times in the past 33 years.

Sports Report:

The 2022 Legion Nationals will take place in Sherbrooke, Quebec from Aug 3-9th. A spring site visit will occur May 5-8 to conduct the final

planning and coordination required. There will be 8 of the 10 Provincial Commands participating.

Public Relations.

All members are encouraged to watch the new video from Public Relations Committee referencing what our Service Officers can do for our Veterans. There is still a significant lack of understanding about when and how the Poppy image can be used. All images of the Poppy must be approved prior to any projects.

Over the two-day period a number of topics were covered, I will give a verbal report at our Executive Council meeting.

In Comradeship,

Donna McRury

DEC Representative

Finance and Building Committee Report

To Executive Council

May 14th. 2022

Committee Members

Chairman Don McCumber 1st. V.P.

President Donna McRury

George Della Valle 2nd. V.P.

Treasurer Conrad Gilbert

Secretary/ Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte Executive Director

Comrades

The three investment certificates that came due as of March31/2022 have been reinvested and the interest allocated to Veterans Outreach. The Elsie Jean Lambert Investment certificate has also been reinvested with the interest allocated to the EJM Scholarship.

Finance Committee met with the Commands' auditors to review the 2021 audited report. The results of this report will be tabled at the Annual General Meeting prior to the Executive Council Meeting. Notification has been sent out to the Branches and a request for any questions to be submitted to Command office prior to the AGM. At this time there is nothing to report from the Building Committee.

Respectfully Submitted

DonMcCumber

Chairman/1st.V.P.

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)

Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022

Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 455.20	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (2,044.80)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 8.84	\$ -	\$ 8.84
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 12,067.72	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (7,932.28)
\$ 15,401.70	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 2,401.70
\$ 27,933.46	\$ 35,500.00	\$ (7,566.54)

OPERATING REVENUE

Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD		
General Revenue				
4015	Percentage of Dominion Sales Revenue	\$ 6,787.39	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 287.39
4100	Taxable Command Supply Sale	\$ 39.95	\$ 800.00	\$ (760.05)
4200	Interest Income	\$ 860.67	\$ 11,000.00	\$ (10,139.33)
4250	Postage & Courier Income - (non-poppy)	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)
4050	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 40.41	\$ 500.00	\$ (459.59)
4350	NS/NU Convention Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4400	Per Capita Tax (Current Membership Fees) p	\$ 144,508.27	\$ 178,348.25	\$ (33,839.98)
4525 & 4526	Veterans Service Recognition Booklet	\$ 34,567.38	\$ 85,000.00	\$ (50,432.62)
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		\$ 186,804.07	\$ 282,198.25	\$ (95,394.18)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

Actual	Budget	Variance
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 7,642.46	\$ 6,706.35	\$ 936.11
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 428.76	\$ 350.72	\$ 78.04
\$ 169.03	\$ 137.03	\$ 32.00
\$ 234.00	\$ 234.00	\$ -
\$ 46.87	\$ 44.71	\$ 2.16
\$ 378.11	\$ 418.58	\$ (40.47)
\$ -	\$ 777.50	\$ (777.50)
\$ 609.26	\$ 830.00	\$ (220.74)
\$ 141.36	\$ -	\$ 141.36
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,333.04	\$ 2,083.33	\$ (750.29)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,144.51	\$ 1,167.00	\$ (22.49)
\$ 1,040.52	\$ -	\$ 1,040.52
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 39.50	\$ 80.00	\$ (40.50)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 49.00	\$ 60.00	\$ (11.00)
\$ 13,256.42	\$ 12,889.22	\$ 367.20

\$ 1,137.50	\$ 675.00	\$ 462.50
\$ 23.61	\$ 33.33	\$ (9.72)
\$ -	\$ 131.25	\$ (131.25)
\$ 510.01	\$ 766.32	\$ (256.31)
\$ 679.32	\$ 500.00	\$ 179.32
\$ 583.33	\$ 583.33	\$ (0.00)
\$ 2,933.77	\$ 2,689.23	\$ 2,350.44

General Expenses

5020	Branch Supplies Purchases	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
5130	Salaries - General	\$ 20,119.62	\$ 87,182.49	\$ (67,062.87)
5135	Vacation Pay - General	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5150	CPP Expense - General	\$ 1,103.91	\$ 4,559.30	\$ (3,455.39)
5160	EI Expense - General	\$ 445.01	\$ 1,781.34	\$ (1,336.33)
5170	RRSP Employer Expense - General	\$ 702.00	\$ 3,042.00	\$ (2,340.00)
5180	Workers Compensation - General	\$ 133.66	\$ 581.22	\$ (447.56)
5200	Telephone/Fax - General	\$ 1,151.30	\$ 4,875.00	\$ (3,723.70)
5210	Office Supplies - General	\$ 1,393.36	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (4,606.64)
5215	Computer Expense - General	\$ 947.49	\$ 5,600.00	\$ (4,652.51)
5220	Postage & Courier - General	\$ 1,470.11	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (5,029.89)
5229	Legal / Professional - General	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5230	Audit - General	\$ 5,161.13	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (19,838.87)
5235	Assistance to Branches	\$ 206.33	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (49,793.67)
5240	Donations - General	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
5245	Amortization - General	\$ 3,433.53	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (10,566.47)
5250	Leasing Contracts - General	\$ 2,081.04	\$ 4,400.00	\$ (2,318.96)
5255	NS/NU Command Use - General (eg. Staff bo	\$ 119.96	\$ 1,100.00	\$ (980.04)
5260	Staff Training - General	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5265	Sundries - Coffee, General Items	\$ 118.50	\$ 600.00	\$ (481.50)
5270	Membership Renewal Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5275	Annual Dues Societies - General	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5280	Interest & Bank Charges - General	\$ 184.21	\$ 900.00	\$ (715.79)
Total General Expenses		\$ 39,271.16	\$ 217,621.35	\$ (178,350.19)

Occupancy Expenses

5310	Repairs & Maintenance - General	\$ 950.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (4,050.00)
5320	Fire Tax - General	\$ 70.83	\$ 400.00	\$ (329.17)
5330	Water - General	\$ -	\$ 525.00	\$ (525.00)
5350	Electricity - General	\$ 1,405.38	\$ 5,250.00	\$ (3,844.62)
5360	Cleaning Expense - General	\$ 1,931.99	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (4,068.01)
5370	Insurance - General	\$ 1,749.99	\$ 7,000.00	\$ (5,250.01)
Total Occupancy Expenses		\$ 6,108.19	\$ 24,175.00	\$ (18,066.81)

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)

Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022

Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)
\$ -	\$ 12.50	\$ (12.50)
\$ 270.84	\$ -	\$ 270.84
\$ -	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (2,200.00)
\$ -	\$ 8.34	\$ (8.34)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 375.00	\$ (375.00)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 16.67	\$ (16.67)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 1,375.00	\$ (1,375.00)
\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)
\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 166.66	\$ (166.66)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 100.35	\$ 1,093.37	\$ (993.02)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 100.57	\$ -	\$ 100.57
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 66.66	\$ (66.66)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 971.76	\$ 6,864.20	\$ (5,892.44)

\$ 17,161.95	\$ 22,442.65	\$ (3,174.80)
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\$ 10,771.51	\$ 13,057.35	\$ (4,391.74)
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Code	Description
5385	NS/NU Comm Convention Costs - General
5390	Dominion Convention Costs - General
	Total Convention Cost

Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD
\$ 3,035.71	\$ -	\$ 3,035.71
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,035.71	\$ -	\$ 3,035.71

Code	Description
5402	Personnel Committee - General
5405	Legion Magazine - General
5410	Council Officers Allowance - General
5415	NS/NU Executive Council Expense - General
5420	Hospitality - General
5425	Sub-Exec (Special Call) - General
5435	Membership Committee - General
5440	Honours & Awards/By-Laws Committee - General
5445	Finance/Bldg Committee - General
5450	Cadet Medal Committee - General
5455	Resolutions Committee - General
5460	Gaming & Alcohol Committee - General
5465	Veterans Serv & Legion Seniors - Gen
5470	Special Functions - General
5475	Appeal Committee
5477	Mediation/Investigation
5480	Command President Exp - General
5485	Public Relations - Adv - General
5487	Veterans Service Recognition Booklet
5489	Dist.Commanders Allotted Expenses (fr.VSR)
5490	Executive Directors Expense - General
5492	Bursary Committee Expenses
5493	Trustees Inventory Committee
5495	Legion Leadership & Dev Comm
5496	Complaint Committee - General
5497	Administrative Other - General
5498	Treasurer Expenses - General
5535	NS Veterans Organization
5952	Veterans Services Bk. Charges
	Total Travel & Allowances

Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD
\$ -	\$ 1,700.00	\$ (1,700.00)
\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ (150.00)
\$ 270.84	\$ 13,650.00	\$ (13,379.16)
\$ 401.62	\$ 22,950.00	\$ (22,548.38)
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,470.00	\$ (1,470.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 203.63	\$ 16,500.00	\$ (16,296.37)
\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ (400.00)
\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,825.00	\$ (4,825.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ (150.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,093.37	\$ (1,093.37)
\$ -	\$ 6,200.00	\$ (6,200.00)
\$ 254.68	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (5,745.32)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 54.00	\$ 800.00	\$ (746.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,184.77	\$ 82,538.37	\$ (79,353.60)

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES

\$ 51,599.83	\$ 324,334.72	\$ (272,734.89)
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Administration NET INCOME (LOSS)

\$ 135,204.24	\$ (42,136.47)	\$ 177,340.71
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Programs Fund - Programs Statement**

Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022

Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022
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Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD
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PROGRAM REVENUE

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -		\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

4450	Leadership Training Camp Income - (incl donation fr Lotto & VSRB)	\$ -
4285	Miscellaneous Income -LTC	\$ -
4550	Sports Revenues	\$ 14,000.00
	Total Program Revenue	\$ (14,000.00)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (14,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (14,000.00)

PROGRAM EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

5543 & 5545	Leadership Training Camp	\$ -
5546	Grand Parade	\$ 5,000.00
5556	Trust 1 Bursary	\$ -
	TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$ (5,000.00)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)

SPORTS EXPENSES

\$ -		\$ -
\$ -		\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

5505	Sports Committee Expense - General	\$ -
5510	Darts Expense - General	\$ -
5515	Curling Expense - General	\$ -
5522	8 Ball Pool - General	\$ -
5525	Track & Field Expense - General	\$ 33,000.00
	TOTAL SPORTS EXPENSES	\$ (33,000.00)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 33,000.00	\$ (33,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 33,000.00	\$ (33,000.00)

TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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\$ -	\$ 38,000.00	\$ (38,000.00)
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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\$ -	\$ (24,000.00)	\$ 24,000.00
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Poppy Fund - Poppy Statement**

Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022

Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022
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Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 127.18	\$ 122.73	\$ 4.45
\$ 94.09	\$ -	\$ 94.09
\$ 221.27	\$ 122.73	\$ 98.54

POPPY REVENUE

4601	Poppy Promotional Free Items
4610	Taxable Poppy Sales
4615	Non-Taxable Poppy Sales
4623	Assessed Poppy
4620	Postage & Courier Income - Poppy
4630	Interest Income Poppy
4650	Donation Income - Poppy
	Total Poppy Revenue

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,012.79	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (48,987.21)
\$ 460.01	\$ 310,000.00	\$ (309,539.99)
\$ -	\$ 75,000.00	\$ (75,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ 370.74	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,129.26)
\$ 98.54	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (2,401.46)
\$ 1,942.08	\$ 439,100.00	\$ (437,157.92)

\$ -	\$ 11.20	\$ (11.20)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 11.20	\$ (11.20)

Poppy Purchases

5610	Taxable Poppy Purchases
5615	Non-Taxable Poppy Purchases
	Total Poppy Purchases

\$ 743.50	\$ 37,360.76	\$ (36,617.26)
\$ 368.50	\$ 226,654.53	\$ (226,286.03)
\$ 1,112.00	\$ 264,015.29	\$ (262,903.29)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 305.00	\$ 370.00	\$ (65.00)
\$ 260.13	\$ -	\$ 260.13
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 152.31	\$ 120.00	\$ 32.31
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 326.66	\$ (326.66)
\$ 11.48	\$ 175.00	\$ (163.52)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 4,160.74	\$ 7,607.37	\$ (3,446.63)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 5,682.25	\$ 4,470.90	\$ 1,211.35
\$ 126.04	\$ 139.31	\$ (13.27)
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 10,697.95	\$ 25,709.24	\$ (15,011.29)

Poppy Expenses

5625	Advertising - Poppy
5627	Building Maint - Poppy
5629	Service Contracts - Poppy
5630	NS/NU Bursary Cheques - Poppy (24@\$500.00)
5635	Computer Expenses - Poppy
5640	Donations - Poppy
5645	Entitlement Boards - Poppy
5647	Camp Hill - Poppy
5650	Interest & Bank Charges Poppy
5655	NS/NU Command Office Use-Poppy
5660	Office Supplies - Poppy
5665	Postage & Courier - Poppy
5670	Poster & Essay Winners - Poppy
5671-78	Wages & Benefits
5679	Special Functions - Poppy
5680	Service Officer Travel - Poppy
5685	Secretarial - Poppy
5690	Telephone - Poppy
5693	Transfer to Veterans Outreach
5695	Public Relations - Poppy
	Total Poppy Expenses

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 916.64	\$ 3,425.00	\$ (2,508.36)
\$ 520.26	\$ 1,100.00	\$ (579.74)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 236.87	\$ 1,400.00	\$ (1,163.13)
\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 291.56	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,708.44)
\$ 315.61	\$ 700.00	\$ (384.39)
\$ 1,190.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (10.00)
\$ 11,631.83	\$ 98,895.90	\$ (87,264.07)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 15,000.44	\$ 58,121.66	\$ (43,121.22)
\$ 383.78	\$ 1,625.00	\$ (1,241.22)
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ 30,486.99	\$ 182,567.56	\$ (152,080.57)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Travel & Allowances

5430	Poppy Committee
	Total Travel & Allowances

\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)

\$ 10,697.95	\$ 25,720.44	\$ (15,022.49)
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TOTAL POPPY EXPENDITURES

\$ 31,598.99	\$ 447,582.85	\$ (415,983.86)
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\$ (10,476.68)	\$ (25,597.71)	\$ 15,121.03
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Poppy Net Income (Loss)

\$ (29,656.91)	\$ (8,482.85)	\$ (21,174.06)
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RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Elsie Jean Lambert Fund - EJ Lambert Statement

Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022

Actual	Budget	Variance
Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022

Actual	Budget 2022	Variance
YTD	YTD	YTD

LAMBERT INCOME

\$ 313.42	\$ 819.73	\$ (506.31)
\$ 313.42	\$ 819.73	\$ (506.31)

Interest Income - Lambert used for Bursary Funding re: E J Lambert		
4910		
	\$ 313.42	\$ 1,806.30
Total Bursary/Scholarship Income	\$ 313.42	\$ 1,806.30
		\$ (1,492.88)
		\$ (1,492.88)

LAMBERT EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

5905 Bank Charges - Lambert	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5910 Elsie Lambert Scholarship Cheques	\$ -	\$ 1,806.30	\$ (1,806.30)
			\$ -
TOTAL LAMBERT EXPENSES	\$ -	\$ 1,806.30	\$ (1,806.30)

\$ 313.42	\$ 819.73	\$ (506.31)
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Net Income (Loss)	\$ 313.42	\$ -	\$ 313.42
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Fund - Benevolent Statement**

Mar. 2022		
Actual	Budget	Variance
Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022		
Actual	Budget 2022	Variance
YTD		YTD

BENEVOLENT REVENUE

\$ 3,037.10	\$ -	\$ 3,037.10
\$ 99.58	\$ 222.37	\$ (122.79)
\$ 3,136.68	\$ 222.37	\$ 2,914.31

4810	Donations - Benevolent	
4820	Interest Income - Benevolent	
	TOTAL BENEVOLENT REVENUE	

\$ 5,560.10	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (14,439.90)
\$ 291.81	\$ 1,872.04	\$ (1,580.23)
\$ 5,851.91	\$ 21,872.04	\$ (16,020.13)

BENEVOLENT EXPENSES

\$ 4,100.00	\$ 2,071.55	\$ 2,028.45
\$ 4.39	\$ 9.00	\$ (4.61)

5810	Benevolent Disbursements	
5820	Bank Charges	

\$ 7,894.13	\$ 32,000.00	\$ (24,105.87)
\$ 11.89	\$ 90.00	\$ (78.11)

\$ 4,104.39	\$ 2,080.55	\$ 2,023.84
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TOTAL BENEVOLENT EXPENSES

\$ 7,906.02	\$ 32,090.00	\$ (24,183.98)
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\$ (967.71)	\$ (1,858.18)	\$ 890.47
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Total Benevolent Net Income (Loss)

\$ (2,054.11)	\$ (10,217.96)	\$ 8,163.85
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Mar. 2022		
Actual	Budget	Variance
Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022

YTD, 2022		
Actual	Budget 2022	Variance
YTD		YTD

VETERANS OUTREACH REVENUE

\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
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4553	Veterans Outreach Program	
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\$ 500.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (19,500.00)
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VETERANS OUTREACH EXPENSES

\$ 16,800.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ (6,200.00)
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5830	Veterans Outreach Program	
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\$ 16,800.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (18,200.00)
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\$ (16,800.00)	\$ (11,000.00)	\$ (5,800.00)
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Total Veterans Outreach Net Income (Loss)

\$ (16,300.00)	\$ (15,000.00)	\$ (1,300.00)
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Summary - General Fund**

Mar. 2022			YTD, 2022			
Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022	Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD	
\$ 27,933.46	\$ 35,500.00	\$ (7,566.54)	Revenue - General Total	\$ 186,804.07	\$ 282,198.25	\$ (95,394.18)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Revenue - Programs Total	\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (14,000.00)
<u>\$ 27,933.46</u>	<u>\$ 35,500.00</u>	<u>\$ (7,566.54)</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 186,804.07</u>	<u>\$ 296,198.25</u>	<u>\$ (109,394.18)</u>
\$ 17,161.95	\$ 22,442.65	\$ (5,280.70)	Expense - General Total	\$ 51,599.83	\$ 324,334.72	\$ (272,734.89)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Expense - Programs Total	\$ -	\$ 38,000.00	\$ (38,000.00)
<u>\$ 17,161.95</u>	<u>\$ 22,442.65</u>	<u>\$ (5,280.70)</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ 51,599.83</u>	<u>\$ 362,334.72</u>	<u>\$ (310,734.89)</u>
<u>\$ 10,771.51</u>	<u>\$ 13,057.35</u>	<u>\$ (2,285.84)</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 135,204.24</u>	<u>\$ (66,136.47)</u>	<u>\$ 201,340.71</u>

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Summary - Poppy Fund**

Mar. 2022			YTD, 2022			
Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022	Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD	
\$ 221.27	\$ 122.73	\$ 98.54	Revenue - Poppy Total	\$ 1,942.08	\$ 439,100.00	\$ (437,157.92)
<u>\$ 221.27</u>	<u>\$ 122.73</u>	<u>\$ 98.54</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 1,942.08</u>	<u>\$ 439,100.00</u>	<u>\$ (437,157.92)</u>
\$ 10,697.95	\$ 25,720.44	\$ (15,022.49)	Expense - Poppy Total	\$ 31,598.99	\$ 447,582.85	\$ (415,983.86)
<u>\$ 10,697.95</u>	<u>\$ 25,720.44</u>	<u>\$ (15,022.49)</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ 31,598.99</u>	<u>\$ 447,582.85</u>	<u>\$ (415,983.86)</u>
<u>\$ (10,476.68)</u>	<u>\$ (25,597.71)</u>	<u>\$ 15,121.03</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (29,656.91)</u>	<u>\$ (8,482.85)</u>	<u>\$ (21,174.06)</u>

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Summary - Elsie Jean Lambert Fund**

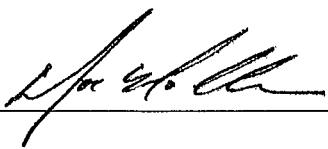
Mar. 2022			YTD, 2022			
Actual Mar. 2022	Budget Mar. 2022	Variance Mar. 2022	Actual YTD	Budget 2022	Variance YTD	
\$ 313.42	\$ 819.73	\$ (506.31)	Revenue - Lambert Total	\$ 313.42	\$ 1,806.30	\$ (1,492.88)
<u>\$ 313.42</u>	<u>\$ 819.73</u>	<u>\$ (506.31)</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 313.42</u>	<u>\$ 1,806.30</u>	<u>\$ (1,492.88)</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Expense - Lambert Total	\$ -	\$ 1,806.30	\$ (1,806.30)
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,806.30</u>	<u>\$ (1,806.30)</u>
<u>\$ 313.42</u>	<u>\$ 819.73</u>	<u>\$ (506.31)</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 313.42</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 313.42</u>

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Summary - Benevolent Fund**

Mar. 2022			YTD, 2022			
Actual	Budget	Variance		Actual	Budget 2022	Variance
Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022		YTD		YTD
\$ 3,136.68	\$ 222.37	\$ 2,914.31	Revenue -Benevolent	\$ 5,851.91	\$ 21,872.04	\$ (16,020.13)
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00		Revenue -Veterans Outreach	\$ 500.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (19,500.00)
<u>\$ 3,136.68</u>	<u>\$ 12,222.37</u>	<u>\$ (9,085.69)</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 6,351.91</u>	<u>\$ 41,872.04</u>	<u>\$ (35,520.13)</u>
						\$ -
\$ 4,104.39	\$ 2,080.55	\$ 2,023.84	Expense - Benevolent	\$ 7,906.02	\$ 32,090.00	\$ (24,183.98)
\$ 16,800.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ (6,200.00)	Expense -Veterans Outreach	\$ 16,800.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (18,200.00)
<u>\$ 20,904.39</u>	<u>\$ 25,080.55</u>	<u>\$ (4,176.16)</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ 24,706.02</u>	<u>\$ 67,090.00</u>	<u>\$ (42,383.98)</u>
<u>\$ (17,767.71)</u>	<u>\$ (12,858.18)</u>	<u>\$ (4,909.53)</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (18,354.11)</u>	<u>\$ (25,217.96)</u>	<u>\$ 6,863.85</u>

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Grand Summary All Funds**

Mar. 2022			YTD, 2022			
Actual	Budget	Variance		Actual	Budget 2022	Variance
Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022	Mar. 2022		YTD		YTD
\$ 31,604.83	\$ 48,664.83	\$ (17,060.00)	Revenue	\$ 195,411.48	\$ 778,976.59	\$ (583,565.11)
\$ 48,764.29	\$ 73,243.64	\$ (24,479.35)	Expenses	\$ 107,904.84	\$ 878,813.87	\$ (770,909.03)
<u>\$ (17,159.46)</u>	<u>\$ (24,578.81)</u>	<u>\$ 7,419.35</u>	Net Income	<u>\$ 87,506.64</u>	<u>\$ (99,837.28)</u>	<u>\$ 187,343.92</u>

Approved 

Date 04/13/22

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Investments Statement**

Jan.2022

Visa Points	421,458
Plus: Current Points Earned	6,339
Less: Redeemed Points	-
	427,797

GIC 1S041V - cashed Mar.2022
reinvested in GIC 1WL2B2

GIC 1SLTCC - cashed Mar.2022
reinvested in GIC 1WLF50

GIC 1SLTBC - cashed Mar.2022
reinvested in GIC WLF4M

GIC 1SLSZK - cashed Mar.2022
reinvested in GIC 1WLF1R

Mar.2022

Scotiabank Investment Listing:	GL Acct	Purchase Date	Orig. Invest.	Int. Rate	Term	Maturity	Balance Sheet Value
(closed) IS041V-Elsie Jean Lambert	1150	Mar.30/21	\$200,000.00	0.65%	1 Year	Mar.30/22	\$201,300.00
GIC IWL2B2-Elsie Jean Lambert	1151	Mar.30/22	\$200,000.00	1.41%	1 Year	Mar.30/23	
(closed) (Supplementary) 1SLTBC	1155	May.31/21	\$25,000.00	0.50%	10 mos	Mar.31/22	\$25,104.11
GIC (short-term) 1WLF4M	1170	Mar.31/22	\$25,000.00	1.80%	14 mos	May.31/23	
(closed) (Capital Reserve Cashable) 1SLTCC	1156	May.31/21	\$100,000.00	0.50%	10 mos	Mar.31/22	\$100,416.44
GIC (short-term) 1WLF50	1171	Mar.31/22	\$100,000.00	1.80%	mos	May.31/23	
(closed) GIC (short-term) 1SLSZK	1160	May.31/21	\$80,000.00	0.50%	10 mos	Mar.31/22	\$80,333.15
GIC (short term) 1WLF1R	1165	Mar.31/22	\$80,000.00	1.80%	14 mos	May.31/23	
GIC (short-term) 1T1MZ7	1176	Jul.27/21	\$50,000.00	0.62%	12 mos	Jul.27/22	\$50,134.19
GIC (short-term) 1V36X6	1177	Dec.06/21	\$50,000.00	0.61%	12 mos	Dec.06/22	\$50,021.73
GIC (short-term) 1V36TR	1178	Dec.06/21	\$22,657.57	0.61%	12 mos	Dec.06/22	\$22,667.42
GIC 1HRY6T	1190	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	5 Years	Feb.14/24	\$54,677.96
GIC 1HRY6V	1191	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	5 Years	Feb.14/24	\$54,677.96

\$639,332.96

BURSARY FUNDING (and INFORMATION)

- 1) Prince of Wales from Dept of Education \$6,000.00 split any way
no amount is budgeted because Dept of Education processes the cheques
- 2) Elsie Jean Lambert Scholarship in amount of Interest Revenue from previous year
- 3) Trust Bursary Fund = 5000.00 (Trust 1- Operating Bank Account) 5 @ 1000.00 each

Elsie Lambert Fund - for Interest

Dr (gl # 1150) GIC EJ Lambert
Cr (gl #4910) Interest Income-Lambert

Trust 1 Bursary - for cheques

Dr (gl #5556) Trust 1 Bursary Expense
Cr (gl #1015) Bank-General

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Balance Sheet As at Mar 31, 2022**

ASSET

Current Assets

Petty Cash	250.04
Emergency Cash-Poppy	1,000.00
Scotiabank - General ..*5119	708,049.05
Scotiabank - Poppy ..*7014	414,215.85
Scotiabank -Veteran S Recog ..*5518	19,692.36
Scotiabank - Benevolent ..0813	324,769.07
Scotiabank - Lambert (new) ..3111	2,273.07
Scotiabank - WebDonations ..0817	1,579.41
Scotiabank - Trust1 Bursary ..0019	8,670.59
Scotiabank - Programs ..00*4710	1,496.76
GIC - E.J. Lambert_ends 03/23	200,000.00
GIC 1WLF1R - ends 05/23	80,000.00
GIC-short-term, 1WFL4M_ends 05/23	25,000.00
GIC-short-term, 1WFL50_ends 05/23	100,000.00
ScotiaBank Invest 1T1MZ7_end 07/22	50,134.19
Scotiabank Invest 1V36X6_end 12/22	50,021.73
Scotiabank Invest 1V36TR_end 12/22	22,667.42
Scotia Bank Invest 1FN40J_end 07/21	0.00
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY6T_end 02/24	54,677.96
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY6V_end 02/24	54,677.96
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HTL_end 05/21	0.00
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HV1_end 05/21	0.00
Accounts Receivable Control	2,158.61
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	-3,717.19
Due from Poppy to General	381,692.48
Inventory - Poppy and Wreath	17,373.39
Poppy Promotional (free) items	389.45
Inventory - Promotional Supplies	6,080.49
Inventory Adjustment	475.00
Prepaid Expenses	3,755.55

Total Current Assets 2,527,383.24

Capital Assets

Land	140,179.95
Building	550,001.30
Accum. Amort. - Building	<u>-253,567.48</u>
Net - Building	296,433.82
Office Furniture & Equipment	128,052.05
Accum. Amort. - Furn. & Equip.	<u>-122,937.00</u>
Net - Furniture & Equipment	5,115.05
Computer Equipment	16,820.32
Accum. Amort - Computer Equipment	<u>-16,820.32</u>
Net : Computer Equipment	0.00

Total Capital Assets 441,728.82

TOTAL ASSET 2,969,112.06

LIABILITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	7,750.07
Vacation Accrual Paid	-1,458.26
Accrued Vacation	1,458.26
Accrued Liabilities	11,134.79
CPP Payable	1,845.34
EI Payable	623.95
Workers Comp Payable	105.83
Federal Income Tax Payable	3,550.81
HST Charged on Sales	5,344.58
HST Paid on Purchases	<u>-143.85</u>

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Balance Sheet As at Mar 31, 2022**

HST Owing (Refund)	5,200.73
Owing to General from Poppy	381,692.48
Defered Revenue	1,663.75
Total Current Liabilities	413,567.75

Long Term Liabilities

Deferred Revenue Long Term	8,202.81
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2026	2,008.60
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2027	72.60
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2028	689.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2029	326.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2030	121.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2031	242.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2032	121.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2037	181.50
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2023	7,504.32
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2024	5,299.80
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2025	4,791.60

Total Long Term Liabilities

29,561.63

TOTAL LIABILITY

443,129.38

EQUITY

Fund Balances

Retained Earnings - Previous Year	1,294,178.73
Capital Reserve Fund	100,000.00
Supplementary Fund	25,000.00
Investment in Capital Assets	466,152.00
Current Earnings	87,406.29
General Fund Balance	39,279.33
Poppy Fund Balance	-13,914.00
Benevolent Fund Balance	610,496.00
External Transfer - Benevolent	-290,767.67
Lambert Fund Balance	208,152.00
Trust 1 Bursary	0.00

Total Fund Balances

2,525,982.68

TOTAL EQUITY

2,525,982.68

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

2,969,112.06

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Income Statement Mar 01, 2022 to Mar 31, 2022**

REVENUE

General Income

Miscellaneous Income - General	8.84
Interest Income - General	455.20
Total General Income	<u>464.04</u>

Program Revenues

Per Capita Tax	12,067.72
VeteransRecognitionBook - taxable	15,271.08
VeteransRecognitionBook - non tax	130.62
Net: VeteransServiceRecognitionBook	15,401.70
Total Program Revenues	<u>27,469.42</u>

Poppy Income

Interest Income - Poppy	127.18
Donation Income - Poppy	94.09
Total Poppy Income	<u>221.27</u>

Benevolent Income

Donations - Benevolent	3,037.10
Interest Income - Benevolent	99.58
Total Benevolent Income	<u>3,136.68</u>

Lambert Income

Interest Income - Lambert	313.42
Total Lambert Income	<u>313.42</u>

TOTAL REVENUE 31,604.83

EXPENSE

General & Admin. Expenses

Salaries - General	7,642.46
CPP Expense - General	428.76
EI Expense - General	169.03
RRSP Employer Expense - General	234.00
WCB - General	46.87
Telephone/Fax - General	378.11
Computer Expense-General	609.26
Postage & Courier - General	141.36
Audit - General	1,333.04
Amortization - General	1,144.51
Leasing Contracts - General	1,040.52
Sundries-Coffee, Misc Items-Genera	39.50
Bank Charges - General *5119	49.00
Total Administration - General	<u>13,256.42</u>

Occupancy Expenses

Repairs & Maintenance - General	1,137.50
Fire Tax	23.61
Electricity - General	510.01
Cleaning Expense - General	679.32
Insurance - General	583.33
Total Occupancy Costs	<u>2,933.77</u>

Travel & Allowances - General

Council Allowance - General	270.84
Veteran Service Recognition Books	500.00
Trustees Inventory Committee	100.35

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Income Statement Mar 01, 2022 to Mar 31, 2022

Complaint Committee - General 100.57

Total Travel & Allowance - Gene... 971.76

Poppy Expenses

Building Maint - Poppy 305.00

Service Contracts - Poppy 260.13

Computer Expenses - Poppy 152.31

Postage & Courier - Poppy 11.48

WCB Expense - Poppy 20.31

Salaries - Poppy 3,720.12

CPP Expense - Poppy 208.07

EI Expense - Poppy 82.24

RRSP Deductions - Poppy 130.00

Secretarial - Poppy 5,682.25

Telephone - Poppy 126.04

Total Poppy Expenses 10,697.95

Benevolent Expenses

Benevolent Disbursements 4,100.00

Benevolent Interest & Bank Charges 4.39

Veterans Outreach Program 16,800.00

Total Benevolent Expenses 20,904.39

TOTAL EXPENSE 48,764.29

NET INCOME -17,159.46

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Report to Executive Council May 14 2022

The day to day business of NS/NU Command continues to be affected appropriately.

Meetings with National Directors and when designated, National Committee meetings , are ongoing.

Since my last report of February 26 2022 follow up to the 2020-2021 Branch annual poppy trust fund reports has finally been completed, year end completed with audited financial reports for 2021 accepted by NSNU Command Sub Executive, positions of Bookkeeper/Clerk and Command Service Officer posted, resumes vetted and interviews arranged.

I have met with Wheels for the Wyse, newly appointed SISSIP representative for central NS, Camp Maple Leaf, 7 Arts, Service Manager of CAF Transition Center, Halifax, OSISS, the Veterans Transition Network, Veteran Farm Project, VAC Veteran Service Team Manager and contact with the office of NS Minister responsible for long term care.

The conversation with the Ministers office was to clarify the NS government budgeted item "\$11 million to extend or convert more than 190 new long term care spaces, including Veterans Affairs spaces, to help create more bed capacity and support patient flow." I was advised that the intention is to temporarily convert VA spaces as many are considered chronically vacant. I asked that the Minister be made aware that vacancies exist due to limited criteria for eligibility and that The Royal Canadian Legion has long advocated that eligibility be expanded to include all Veterans. The matter was raised in the meeting with VAC Veterans Service Team Manager with a commitment to bring NSNU Commands' concern to VAC Area Director and to the VAC Itc co-ordinator. Along with other Veteran centric organizations, NSNU Command will witness to the NS Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs late May and although the topic is Veteran homelessness and transition services, I hope to create an opportunity to bring this issue to the Committees' attention following up with a letter to each Committee member from President McRury on the seriousness of the matter and, with permission of President McRury communication to all Branches to have them press local MLA on the issue. Please find following links to information on health care programs for Veterans.

[Community Facilities \(Veterans Independence Program - Intermediate Care and Long-term Care\) - Policies - Veterans Affairs Canada](#)

[Requirement to Access Provincial Programs - Policies - Veterans Affairs Canada](#)

[Eligibility for Health Care Programs - Eligible Client Groups - Policies - Veterans Affairs Canada](#)

A presentation to the Commissionaires Veterans Committee on veterans outreach, benevolent assistance and the service bureau is scheduled for 3rd week in May.

Consultation with various provincial/territorial government departments continues as required.

Support to Branches, Zone and District Commanders as appropriate is ongoing.

Investigation, processing, consultation for Benevolent assistance requests is ongoing.

Follow up to questions arising regarding unexplained monthly Branch Poppy Trust Fund expenditures is ongoing.

Support as required to all Command Committees is ongoing.

Work related to Committees of which I am a member and/or Secretary will be appropriately reported through Committee Chairmen.

All other areas of responsibility will be appropriately reported through NS/NU Command President Donna McRury, and members of Executive Council.

Respectfully Submitted

Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte
Executive Director
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
The Royal Canadian Legion

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council May 14 2022

Electronic Voting Report

There has been no electronic voting since last report of February 2022.

Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte
Executive Director
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
The Royal Canadian Legion

District Commander's Report

This report to be completed and remitted to the Command Executive Director, at the call of the Command Chairman, prior to each Executive Council meeting.

Name:

Clarence Dawe

District

A

Date

may/2022

1. Have the Zone Commanders submitted their reports to you prior to this Executive Council report period as per policy?

Zone

1

Yes

No

Zone

2

Yes

No

Zone

3

Yes

No

2. Since your last report, has your District convened a legally constituted (quorum achieved) meeting?

Yes

No

Date

april 24

3. Have the minutes of your last District meeting and District Executive Council meeting (if applicable) been submitted to Command as per Policy?

Yes

No

Date

to follow

4. Please list all additional meetings, events, etc. you have attended since your last report.

chaired district meetings feb 20 ,mar. 20 ,apr. 24
installation of officers br. 019 attended general meeting br.008
attended br 123 meeting

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

planning seminar on Legion Tribute at br. 043

6. Are the Zones and/or branches within your District experiencing any specific challenges regarding finances, membership, Policy, by-laws etc., that you have become aware of, but have not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

no

7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

- Yes
- No

8. Additional information/comments relevant to the operation of your District.

well attended

District Commander's Report

This report to be completed and remitted to the Command Executive Director, at the call of the Command Chairman, prior to each Executive Council meeting.

Name:

Lorne MacDonald

District

B

Date

May 2, 2022

1. Have the Zone Commanders submitted their reports to you prior to this Executive Council report period as per policy?

Zone

5

Yes

No

Zone

5

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

2. Since your last report, has your District convened a legally constituted (quorum achieved) meeting?

Yes

No

Date

3. Have the minutes of your last District meeting and District Executive Council meeting (if applicable) been submitted to Command as per Policy?

Yes

No

Date

by secretary

4. Please list all additional meetings, events, etc. you have attended since your last report.

Attended Branch 37 regular meetings, attended AGM Branch 59 and 81

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

None planned

6. Are the Zones and/or branches within your District experiencing any specific challenges regarding finances, membership, Policy, by-laws etc., that you have become aware of, but have not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

There were some had challenges but are holding their own as of now.

7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

Yes

No

8. Additional information/comments relevant to the operation of your District.

Westville Branch 35 and Stellarton Branch 28 looking at possible amalgamation, due to lack of members taking on roles.

District Commander's Report

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Name:

Roert Hoeg

District

C

Date

May 01, 2022

1. Have the Zone Commanders submitted their reports to you prior to this Executive Council report period as per policy?

Zone

07

Yes

No

Zone

10

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

2. Since your last report, has your District convened a legally constituted (quorum achieved) meeting?

Yes

No

Date

March 27,2022

3. Have the minutes of your last District meeting and District Executive Council meeting (if applicable) been submitted to Command as per Policy?

Yes

No

Date

May 01,2022

4. Please list all additional meetings, events, etc. you have attended since your last report.

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

Looking to have a session on Branch Policy and Branch By-laws at next meeting.

6. Are the Zones and/or branches within your District experiencing any specific challenges regarding finances, membership, Policy, by-laws etc., that you have become aware of, but have not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

Zone 07, Branch 60 submitted by-law questions to Command.

7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

- Yes
- No

8. Additional information/comments relevant to the operation of your District.

District C Terms of Reference are being developed for discussion at next District meeting (Sept. 25/22).

District Commander's Report

This report to be completed and remitted to the Command Executive Director, at the call of the Command Chairman, prior to each Executive Council meeting.

Name:

Harry Jackson

District

D

Date

April 24, 2022

1. Have the Zone Commanders submitted their reports to you prior to this Executive Council report period as per policy?

Zone

8

Yes

No

Zone

9

Yes

No

Zone

11

Yes

No

2. Since your last report, has your District convened a legally constituted (quorum achieved) meeting?

Yes

No

Date

April 24, 2022

3. Have the minutes of your last District meeting and District Executive Council meeting (if applicable) been submitted to Command as per Policy?

Yes

No

Date

April 26, 2022

4. Please list all additional meetings, events, etc. you have attended since your last report.

District D Executive meeting February 18, 2022
District D meeting April 24, 2022
Poem and Assey presentation April 2, 2022 Branch 009 Windsor

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

No

6. Are the Zones and/or branches within your District experiencing any specific challenges regarding finances, membership, Policy, by-laws etc., that you have become aware of, but have not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

In general all Branches face challenges with member volunteerism/engagement. While overall Branch membership numbers remain stable, all Branches are experiencing a decline in the number of members willing, and able, to take on committee work or volunteer their time to support events and work parties. A few Branches are facing challenges with maintenance of their aging facilities. Some of the older Buildings are overdue for extensive repairs or upgrades. Grants currently available to Branches have enabled several minor maintenance and upgrade initiatives.

7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

Yes

No

8. Additional information/comments relevant to the operation of your District.

The branches with in the district are open anywhere from two days to 7 days, the big ones are doing much better then the small branches.

Still trying to get Zone 9 Commander, waiting on a answer from one member in Zone 9. Hoping to have answer by the Executive Council meeting on May 14, 2022

District Commander's Report

This report to be completed and remitted to the Command Executive Director, at the call of the Command Chairman, prior to each Executive Council meeting.

Name: DARRYL COOK

District: E

Date: 2022-05-02

1. Have the Zone Commanders submitted their reports to you prior to this Executive Council report period as per policy?

Zone: 12 Yes No
Zone: 13 Yes No
Zone: _____ Yes No

Please attach a copy of the Zone Commanders' reports to this report.

2. Since your last report, has your District convened a legally constituted (quorum achieved) meeting?

Yes:
No:

Date: _____

3. Have the minutes of your last District meeting and District Executive Council meeting (if applicable) been submitted to Command as per Policy?

Yes:
No:

Date: _____

4. Please list all additional meetings, events, etc. you have attended since your last report.

Branch 24, Branch 49, Branch 44, Branch 88, Branch 80

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

No

6. Are the Zones and/or branches within your District experiencing any specific challenges regarding finances, membership, Policy, by-laws etc., that you become aware of, but has not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

All Branches have faced difficulties during COVID. However, all are surviving at this time. Branch 80 is having difficulties because of the death of the Secretary/Treasurer but they will survive.
I can foresee the new Standard By-Laws becoming a problem in the near future as Branches struggle with COVID and now have to work their way through the new By-Laws.

7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

Yes:

No:

8. Additional information/ comments relevant to the operation of your District.

The District will survive. The next District Meeting, via Zoom, will be on the 5th day of June, 2022 at 19:00 Hrs.

District Commander's Report

This report to be completed and remitted to the Command Executive Director, at the call of the Command Chairman, prior to each Executive Council meeting.

Name:

Glen Leduc

District

F

Date

May 1 2022

1. Have the Zone Commanders submitted their reports to you prior to this Executive Council report period as per policy?

Zone

14

Yes

No

Zone

15

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

2. Since your last report, has your District convened a legally constituted (quorum achieved) meeting?

Yes

No

Date

3. Have the minutes of your last District meeting and District Executive Council meeting (if applicable) been submitted to Command as per Policy?

Yes

No

Date

4. Please list all additional meetings, events, etc. you have attended since your last report.

Branch 152 Spryfield Apr 21st - special executive meeting in person
Zone 15 meeting Apr 24th by Zoom
Zone 14 meeting Apr 25th in person
Branch 156 MacDonald Apr 26th - Zoom interview with Branch President

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

No.

6. Are the Zones and/or branches within your District experiencing any specific challenges regarding finances, membership, Policy, by-laws etc., that you have become aware of, but have not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

Zone 14

1. a mentoring ship team is working with a branch
2. the president and 1st VP of a branch resigned necessitating a restructure of the Executive
3. two branches are facing financial challenges

7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

Yes

No

8. Additional information/comments relevant to the operation of your District.

We are looking for someone willing to serve as the District F Commander until April 2023 but the list of willing comrades is non-existent.



Nunavut District G Report

May 2022

Executive Council Meeting

Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command

Dartmouth, Nova-Scotia

14-May-2022

Greetings

Donations:

Due to the temporary closure of both Branch 168 & 169, there have been no requests for donations put forward to the branches. Branch 168 continues to support the Daycare, Cadet hall & elders hall.

Membership:

No new submissions during the closure.

Cadets:

795 Air Cadet Squadron operations remain suspended but Branch #168, is maintaining the operation of the Cadet hall.

Branch Activities:

None.

Branch 168:

Branch 168 has struggled under the Covid -9 restrictions

Since the removal of all Covid protocols in Nunavut on April 11, 2022 the branch has seen a slow increase in sales. We are hoping that our return to 2 nights of Karaoke and Saturday brunch will help draw patrons back to the branch. We will also soon be seeking authorization to enter into an equity loan on one of our apartment units but are still waiting for an assessment with our bank representatives. Should that happen we will return to a solid financial footing.

Branch 169

Branch #169 just like all the other Branches across the country has been impacted by this pandemic. With the removal of Covid restrictions we are looking to a return to normality. At this time we have nothing further to add but hope for a more in depth report for the next meeting.

20th Anniversary Commemorative Coin.

Comrades I would like to take this time to update you on the project Comrade 1st-Vice President McCumber and I have been working on. I have had a commemorative coin struck and was hoping to begin distributing them at this meeting. That said when we meet again in September, we would like to begin presentation.

A photo of the coin is included below. The locations of Truro and Iqaluit were chosen as it was at the 2001 Truro convention that Nova Scotia/Nunavut became a combined command and Iqaluit as the spearhead for branches 168 (4) & 169 (5). On a side note I took the liberty of sending the first of these coins along with a brief note to Her Majesty at Buckingham Palace.



Nunavut District G Report

May 2022

Yours in Comradeship,

Clifford Laurin DDC
For Clark E. Wolfe
Nunavut District G Commander

Appeals Committee
Executive Council Meeting
NS/NU Command
May 14, 2022

There have been no appeals to date since our last meeting.

Yours in Comradeship,



Marion Fryday-Cook
Chairman
Benevolent Committee

Benevolent Committee Report
Executive Council Meeting
NS/NU Command
May 14, 2022

The Benevolent process can be found in our Command Policy Manual including forms to be filled out by veterans and/or their families. The committee has reviewed several applications and they have been acted upon in accordance with the Command Policy process.

I would like to extend my gratitude to the many branches who donate to the Benevolent Fund. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks go to our hardworking Executive Director Valerie Mitchell- Veinotte and Service Officer Ken George for their outstanding dedication to the Veterans and their families within our command.

Yours in Comradeship,



Marion Fryday-Cook
Chairman
Benevolent Committee

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
NOVA SCOTIA/NUNAVUT COMMAND**

**REPORT OF THE BURSARY COMMITTEE
2022-05-02**

ON 2022-04-20 A SHORT TELEPHONE CONFERENCE WAS HELD AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE APPLICATIONS FOR BURSARIES AND SCHOLARSHIPS WOULD BE PROCESSED ON THE 24TH DAY OF MAY, 2022, AT BRIDGEWATER BRANCH 24 COMMENCING AT 10:00 AM.

NOTHING FURTHER TO REPORT AT THIS TIME.

DARRYL COOK
BURSARY CHAIRPERSON

Cadet Medal of Excellence Report

Greeting Comrades.

We the committee have received 50 applications for the Cadet Medal of excellence.

We have met virtually with Captain Sunde RCSU-Atlantic to review and have approved these applications,

Emails have been sent to the five branches which have yet to supply us with a letter of branch support.

Requesting branch support, should we be unable to receive such it would be my hope that NS/NU command would sponsor these Cadet medals.

Clifford Laurin

Cadet Medal of Excellence Chair

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council Report
Complaint Committee
May 14 2022

All complaints held in abeyance under RCL Article III have been heard and are concluded.

NSNU Command currently has no Article III complaints pending.

Constitution and By-laws Committee Report

To Executive Council

May 14th. 2022

Committee Members

Don McCumber Chairman

President Donna McRury

2nd. V.P. George Della Valle

Chairman Tom Young

Past President Steve Wessel

Secretary Jane Scott

Comrades

The Standardized By-Laws have now been approved and notice has been sent to the Branches. Branches are to use their current by-laws to complete Annex A and submit to NS/NU Command by May 31, 2022 . The Standardized by-laws and Annex A will be the Branches' by-laws as of June 1, 2022 and everything else that is not covered from their present by-laws can simply be copied into the Branch Policy Manual which should be submitted to Command by October1/2022. An Ad Hoc committee of Constitution and By-Laws has been established consisting of the Immediate Past Provincial President, Marion Fryday-Cook and 2nd. Vice President, George Della Valle. They have been involved with the formation of these by-laws. Presently there have been questions raised and responses to these concerns are being addressed. Please submit your concerns to the Command Office. An update will be given to this report at the Executive Council meeting of progress to date.

The most recent and updated copy of NS/NU Command By-Laws are posted on the Command website as well as the Policy and Guidelines.

Respectfully Submitted

Don McCumber

Chairman/ Constitution&By-laws

Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Provincial Command
Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee Report

To: Executive Council

May14, 2022

Committee Members

Don McCumber/ Chairman

Comrade Donna McRury NS/NU Command President

Comrade Cliff Laurin/ Member

Comrade George Della Valle/ Member

Comrade Donald Stansbury/ Member

Comrade Jane Scott/ Secretary

The Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee has held three committee meetings since my last report in February. A copy of the results are attached to this report. All Branch mail outs continue to be sent out monthly notifying the Branches of the cut off date for submissions and the date they will be reviewed by committee. The committee is asking that the check lists be submitted with the applications and signed. If the guidelines on the check list are followed then this should prevent any delays in the processing of the applications. Please ensure that the minutes show the Mover/Secunder and Motion Carried and that the minutes of the recommendation are signed. If one feels that a member is deserving of an award then it is necessary to take the time to prepare a well written citation. There are a few applications that have been sent back to the Branches asking for more information or clarification. Months have passed and committee has not received the updated application for consideration. These Branches have approved the applications and follow up is necessary to ensure the members get the recognition that they so deserve. I thank the committee for their support and commitment.

Respectfully submitted

DonMcCumber/Chairman

Results of the Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee for January 10 2022				
Award	Provincial		Dominion	
	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>
Life Membership	6	2		
Life Membership (LA)				
MSM	1		1	
MSA				
Palm Leaf to MSM				
Palm Leaf to MSA				
Friendship Award	1	1		
Total	8	3	1	0
Results of the Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee for January 31 2022				
Award	Provincial		Dominion	
	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>
Life Membership	3			
Life Membership (LA)	1			
MSM				
MSA				
Palm Leaf to MSM	1			
Palm Leaf to MSA				
Friendship Award	1			
Total	6	0	0	0

Results of the Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee for March 7, 2022				
Award	Provincial		Dominion	
	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>
Life Membership		2		
Life Membership (LA)				
MSM	2			
MSA				
Palm Leaf to MSM				
Palm Leaf to MSA				
Friendship Award				
Total	2	2	0	0
Results of the Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee for March 28, 2022				
Award	Provincial		Dominion	
	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>
Life Membership	2			
Life Membership (LA)	2			
MSM				
MSA	1			
Palm Leaf to MSM			1	
Palm Leaf to MSA				
Friendship Award	1			
Total	6	0	1	0

Results of the Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee for April 25, 2022				
Award	Provincial		Dominion	
	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Not Approved</i>
Life Membership	3			
Life Membership (LA)				
MSM	1		2	
MSA			1	
Palm Leaf to MSM				
Palm Leaf to MSA				
Friendship Award	2			
Total	6	0	3	0

Leadership and Development
Committee Report May 1st 2022

The Leadership and Development Committee met on February 24th 2022 to decide on what is to be accomplished. No subsequent meetings were held.

It was decided that the focus would be creating packages on the use of Zoom; because video conferencing is an important element of conducting operations in the Command.

A Introduction to Zoom video, aimed at first time users of Zoom, was made and distributed to Zone and district Commanders as a link to an internet location pending changes to the Command website.

A second presentation, Hosting a Zoom Meeting, is being prepared but it is slow process as only one member of the committee is knowledgeable in hosting Zoom meetings and who has learned how to make video presentations. The process takes time as it involves; writing the script, creating slides, narrating the show, editing the video segments and then publishing the project.

Other hosting presentations on using Zoom tools are planned.

A significant amount of material has been gathered from other commands. Saskatchewan Command, in particular, made their entire training library available to us. Selected comrades have been asked to review packages and provide input or recommendations for use within our Command. So far, nothing has been returned.

We have an Aide de Memoire for Sergeant at Arms that was produced by Zone 15. This will be put on the Command website under the Command's name. As well, there is a supporting video, Any Branch Can, that was produced by Saskatchewan Command on personal and Flag Party drill that we can link to our website.

Glen Leduc
Chairman
Leadership and Development Committee

Legion Magazine Report
Executive Council Meeting
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- 1 photo and submission for Palm Leaf
- 1 photo and submission for 1st Vice President of NS/NU election
- 4 Branch submissions with photos

Please make sure that when you submit your photos , they are the correct pixel size.

Yours in Comradeship,



Marion Fryday-Cook
Chairman
Benevolent Committee

Membership Report May 2,2022

Currently our Command is at 13,909 members or 84% of our 2021 year-end total (this is behind the National average of 87%)

Our current membership is down 2.7% or 389 members compared to this time last year (we had 14,298 members at this time last year). National Average is growing 6.5% year over year.

We currently have 934 new members for the year up 10% from the 852 new members we had at this time last year

Renewals are at 78.1% running behind the National Average of 81%

We currently have 45.2% of all active email addresses vs a National average of 53%

We currently have 8.5% of all members signed up for Auto Renewal versus the National Average of 10.4%

To summarize: total membership is performing slightly behind the National Average with some work remaining on renewals and collecting emails.

Lorne MacDonald

Chairman

Membership

Personnel Committee Report

To: Executive Council

May 14th. 2022

Committee Members:

Chairman Don McCumber

President Donna McRury

2nd. V.P. George Della Valle

Treasurer Conrad Gilbert

Executive Director/ Secretary Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte

Comrades

The positions of Command Service Officer as well as Bookkeeper Clerk have been advertised and interviews have been set to take place on Wed. May 4th.2022 at the Command Office.

Ken Guitard has stepped in to carry on with the Bookkeeping duties and assist with the training of the person hired to fill this vacancy. We welcome him back and appreciate his assistance.

I wish to thank the staff for taking on the added responsibilities while these positions remain vacant.

I will give an updated report at the Executive Council meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

DonMcCumber

Chairman/1st. V.P.

SPORT REPORT

May,14 2022

A meeting of the Dominion Command Sport Committee (Jan. 11/22) notified all Provinces that Legion Member Sports 2022 would be cancelled due to Covid -19 related issues. An ABMO was sent from NS / NU Command announcing that all Provincial Member Legion sports play downs were again cancelled because of Covid-19 related issues.

During the NS/NU Command Executive Council meeting of February 26, 2022 I did suggest that I would contact our three Member sport coordinators to see if it would be possible to have NS/NU Command provincial play downs for the sanctioned member sports. This was with the thought of getting our members back to the Legions through sport competition. After contact and discussion with the coordinators there was a consensus that the time to arrange and have the sport events during summer months would probably interfere with starting the same branch play downs in the fall for the 2023 competitions.

Following are the proposed sights for Dominion 2023 & 2024 Member sport Nationals:

2023 Dominion Sport Member Championships

Cribbage: 21 – 24 April 2023 Host: Branch #02-015 Men of Vision

PO Box 183 Stn. Main, Cochrane, AB T4C 1A5

Darts: 28 April – 1 May 2023 Host: Branch #01-265, Aldergrove, BC

26607 Fraser Hwy, Aldergrove, BC V4W 3L1

Eight Ball Host: Branch #02-104 Innisfail

1-5108 49 Ave, Innisfail, AB T4G 1R1

2024 Dominion Member Sports Championships

Eight Ball: 24 – 27 May 2024 Host: Branch #10-051 Happy Valley-Goose Bay

PO Box 335 Stn B, Hpy-Vly-Goose, NL A0P 1E0

Cribbage: 26 – 29 April 2024 Host: Branch #07-033, Shediac NB

386 Main Street, Shediac, NB, E4P 2G1

Darts: 3 – 6 May 2024 Host: Branch #06-251, Laval, QC

2000 Boul Cure-Labelle, Laval, QC, H7T 1L3

Track / Field: During the Dominion Command Sport meeting held on March 30, 2022 it was announced that Ontario and Newfoundland Commands would not be attending the 2022 Dominion Track /Field Nationals. This will likely create more non-legion sponsored athletes at the nationals in Quebec.

Covid-19 related concerns were addressed and if the situation deteriorates, the Legion is prepared to adapt as outlined in the 2022 Legion Nationals Covid-19 Safety Plan. The Legion Nationals will also adopt whatever Provincial and Athletics Canada guidelines are at that time.

Preparations for the NS/NU Command 2022 Legion Team:

Applications for coaches / chaperones are out and deadline was April 03/22. The team support staff has been selected and are being notified. The number of athletes will be 38 with 4 coaches and 4 chaperones. Team standards have also been approved.

The site and date for the Legion trails was approved (9-10 July Pictou County Track)

The call for quotes for team uniforms has gone out and 5 companies replied. Discussion and review has taken place but final decision has not been made yet, (April 24/22).

Comrade Harry Jackson has accepted the task of representing NS/NU as team representative at the Nationals. Harry has been involved in the many different tasks involved in getting a team ready for the Nationals.

Dominion Command has booked a bus (seating for 56) with Coach Atlantic.

Further to the above information a meeting with Sport Nova Scotia was held and the support staff of 4 coaches and 4 chaperones was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Hoeg NS/NU Command Sport Chair

VETERANS SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK
REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 14 MAY 2022

Comrades, please refer to the general revenue statement, operating revenue - line 4525, which indicates the current revenue earned through March for the 2022 edition of the VSRB to be \$12067.72.

The deadline for submissions for the upcoming edition, volume 18, is 31 August. To date we have received only a handful of submissions from branches and the public, so, there is a lot to do between now and August.

Please inform your branches that submissions for these publications are vital to the continuation of this project and their assistance is of utmost importance. ***Our Veterans deserve no less!***

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Wessel, VSRB Chairman / Editor

Nova Scotia/Nunivut Command Outreach Committee

George DellaValle	Chairman
Andre Boudreau	Member
John Langley	Member
Valerie Mitchill-Veinotte	Member
Ken George	Secretary

The Veterans Outreach Programs of NS/NU Command are constantly evolving around our Veterans requirements in order to remain relevant. We must keep pace with the changes that are affecting the lives of our Veterans and their families. A few of our programs that have come to the forefront over the years are going strong and are supported strongly by Veterans, for in- person and virtual meetings they are thriving. We also have started doing virtual get togethers, such as the Veterans Coffee Break. Here is a snap shot of what is going on around the Command through Veteran outreach.

OSISS

The Operational Stress Injury Social Support program celebrated 20 years of service in 2021 to our active Canadian Armed Forces members, our veteran community and their families. OSISS is a peer support program partially funded both by the Department of National Defence and Veterans Affairs Canada.

They provide peer support to members, veterans and their families who experience symptoms from an operational stress injury (ie PTSD, anxiety, depression, and/or addiction) as a result of service. We have two types of coordinators in the program; a peer support coordinator who is a military veteran who has personally experienced a mental health injury due to their service; and, family peer support coordinators, who have lived experience in supporting a loved one with an OSI. Because of similar lived experience, they are able to establish trusting, confidential professional relationships with peers and support them in a non-judgmental, empathetic way.

In addition to peer support via phone, text, email, in-person one-on-one meetings as well as group meetings, OSISS provides resource information to peers. They know their communities and the resources available within them, including stakeholders. The

Royal Canadian Legion NS/NU Command has been an exceptional support and advocate of the OSIS program.

In Nova Scotia, there are currently 4 coordinators:

Stephen Langille, PSC, who is located in Halifax. Stephen covers the Halifax area as well as Cape Breton.

His contact information is:

Email: Stephen.Langille3@forces.gc.ca

Cell: (902) 943-0929

Danielle Kelly, FPSC, who is located in Halifax. She also covers the Halifax area as well as Cape Breton.

Her contact information is:

Email: Danielle.Kelly@OSISS.ca

Cell: (902) 293-2055

Ken Riles, PSC, who is located in Greenwood. Ken covers from Windsor to Yarmouth, including the South Shore.

His contact information is:

Email: Kenneth.Riles@forces.gc.ca

Cell: (902) 824-5307

Tanya Rice, FPSC, located in Greenwood. I also cover from Windsor to Yarmouth, including the South Shore.

My contact information is:

Email: Tanya.Rice@OSISS.ca

Cell: (902) 401-2272

OSISS website for additional information: [Operational Stress Injury Social Support \(cafconnection.ca\)](https://cafconnection.ca)

Long Term Care and VAC Contract Beds

The \$11M announced investments this coming fiscal year in the provincial budget are to support temporary bed capacity in the provincial LTC system while our new 2,500 new beds are being built, and to support access and flow pressures on our hospitals due to COVID-19 impacts. Not all of the funds (and 190 beds) are specific to Veterans Affairs contract beds being accessed by provincial LTC waitlist clients, the funds are also supporting private assisted living and residential care facility beds to be temporarily staffed and available for provincial nursing home level of care. The Department of Seniors and Long Term Care will continue to partner with NSHA and Veterans Affairs Canada to determine availability of vacant contract beds for this initiative. The province

has indicated that any VAC contract beds utilized to expand capacity is temporary and does not include taking away any contract beds needed for war Veterans at Camp Hill under the Preferred Admission Initiative.

We will continue to work with NSHA and VAC to make decisions in line with their current eligibility criteria and associated capacity.

Heros Mending on the Fly

HMOTF NS is working away with fly tying programs in both Greenwood area and HRM with 8 participants in each location. They are over half way through this phase of our program and participants in both locations are grasping the art of fly tying very well. Much better this year being able to meet in person vice tying via zoom. HRM group meets in Bedford Legion and Valley group meets at Greenwood MFRC.

They just finalized scheduling of the casting clinic which will be held at Graves Island Provincial Park on 7 May with the 8th as rain day. This location is somewhat central for both our groups to make travel simple. Once again we have Lewis Hinks and Rene Aucoin (International fly casting instructors) helping out with this phase of our program. This clinic is open to Veterans and their families beyond the group that participates in the tying workshops.

We have our participants fishing trip scheduled for 23-26 June, staying at the Normaway Inn in the Margaree. We have confirmation from guide Paddy Poirier that he will be available and donating his services again this year. We have also secured a visit to Atlantic Salmon Museum on the Saturday afternoon. We have received some support from local Legions and indication that more is coming. This is great and will hopefully ensure we are able to facilitate our program without cutting anything.

We could not provide this program for our Veterans without the support we get from NS/Nunavut Command and now local Legions. Very grateful for your generosity.

- Ray McEachem, who is the coordinator responsible for about Heroes Mending on the Fly was at Branch 155 Wedgeport to talk about HMOTF.

The Veteran Farm Project

Things are going well, but it's going to be a late start growing outdoors this year. We still have snow and ice in most of the beds. I am starting seeds, my admin manager is back to work, the plans for the season are getting finalized and construction work will begin as soon as the roads open to heavy vehicles.

I'm in contact with Camp Hill Veterans Hospital for this year's plan. We'll be doing Mother's Day flowers again this year as well as planting their outdoor veggie and flower garden first week June.

We have a bunch of workshops in the plans and those will be scheduled once we have our new outdoor gazebo installed. This will be our space for doing workshops.

I've been in contact with Valerie and she has the plan for the season and the forms for each of the families. Other than that, it's early spring and still too cold to plant outside so I'm just anxious for the weather warm up.

- Jessica Miller VFP

OSI/BSO

Operational Stress Injury (OSI) is defined by The Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre as any persistent psychological difficulty resulting from operational duties performed while serving in the Canadian Forces or as a member of the RCMP. " Difficulties may occur during combat duties, after serving in a warzone or in peacekeeping missions. Problems may also arise following other traumatic or serious events not specific to combat such as domestic operations, disaster relief, aid to civil power, sexual assault or harassment etc. OSIs often present as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Moral Injury, other anxiety disorders, depression, substance use disorders and other conditions that may interfere with daily functioning.

BSO Legion OSI is a national, member driven, peer-support network, providing eligible Legion members with the opportunity to support, volunteer and advocate for Veterans' mental health. Legion Members who are Veterans or immediate family members of Veterans can join BSO Legion OSI to show their support and volunteer in their community.

About 1/5 of Canadian Veterans experience a diagnosed mental health disorder at some time during their lives.

Up to 10% of Veterans in Canada will experience post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), while others may experience at least some of the associated symptoms.

Nearly 1 in 5 Canadian Forces spouses surveyed in 2008/2009 reported being diagnosed with depression at some point during their partner's military career.

Afghanistan as an example

73% of deployed members had 1 tour of Afghanistan, 21% had 2 tours and 6% had 3 or more.

90% of Afghanistan deployed members were males, 10% females.

12% of CAF Veterans in receipt of VAC benefits have a disability benefit related to service in Afghanistan.

55% of CAF Veterans, with a disability benefit related to service in Afghanistan, are in receipt of a VAC pension/award for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

23% of members deployed to Afghanistan, are in receipt of a VAC pension/award for a mental health condition related to their service in Afghanistan.

19% of members deployed to Afghanistan, are in receipt of a VAC pension/award for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) related to their service in Afghanistan

Buddy Check Coffee

What is Buddy Check Coffee? BCC is a very simple concept, a scheduled regular get together of veterans that is coordinated and co-marketed by a local host who is a member of BSO Legion OSI. It provides peer support for veterans. BCC is held in a location chosen by the local HOST. It can be a local Legion Branch or a commercial coffee shop. We are here to serve all veterans. Regarding First Responders, that is a local call by hosts and participants. We feel most veterans have an affinity and common ground with first responders but there are some that do not. A few places around the Command that are doing or starting a BBC are, Branch 155 in Wedgeport they had a segment on the local radio station to talk about Buddy Check Coffee, they are going to try Veterans Coffees later this month to see if we can get Veterans out to meet each other. Branch 78 Dominion meet every Tuesday from 7-9. If other Branchs in the Command are doing something similar please let me know.

Op Vet Build

Team Leaders: Must be a veteran/current serving member of the Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP or Allied Force veteran as well as be a Legion member enrolled in BSO Legion OSI. Their role is to coordinate meeting times and space with their local Legion Branch to facilitate Op VetBuild meetings. They are also responsible for securing donations through the poppy fund and through Op VetBuild fundraising/donation drive activities. During Op VetBuild meetings they will carry out host duties, introduce new members, assist participants, provide a safe environment and above all, have fun doing

it! They will also be responsible to the Operation VetBuild National Program Coordinator for the following:

Provide a quarterly report on donations collected (kits, supplies, cash, poppy funds), report on the number of attendees at the meetings,

Provide photos of the meetings for use in social media/marketing as well as of proof that your program is operational,

Be a member of the OP VetBuild Team Leader Group on Facebook to have access to various promotion/marketing materials as well as share experiences that can benefit the other team leaders and help maintain program consistency across the country.

Participants: Must be a veteran/current serving member of the Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP or Allied Force veteran, an immediate family member of the above (parent, spouse, sibling, child), a Law Enforcement Officer that has served on an overseas mission. First Responders can participate in the program, but do not fall under the Poppy fund for resources. Participants do not need to be Legion members. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Branch 155 Wedgeport had Craig Hood the National Program Coordinator talked about Op Vet Build on the local radio station , Branch 78 Dominion meets every Tuesday from 7-9, Branch 44 Chester will be meeting 4 April, 25 April and 2 May, Branch 132 Inverness is in the starting up point and are receiving donations at this time.

Soldier On Invictus Games The Hague 2022

The Royal Canadian Legion is a proud sponsor of the Invictus Games as it furthers our mandate to raise awareness for the issues facing Canada's Veterans, it supports ill and injured Veterans attending the games, and it helps dispel the stigma associated with being ill or injured. Not only will the sponsorship support the nearly 100 Canadian active duty and Veteran service members participating, but it will also inspire countless injured and ill Veterans across this country to move forward, and raise awareness for the challenges they face.

To all the members of Team Canada, the Legion is grateful for your service, we are proud to support your journey, and we wish you all success in the 2022 Games.

Darrell Ling

Sailor 2nd Class (S2) (retired) Marine Electrician

Hometown: Halifax, NS

As you may have heard, Prince Harry's new business, Archewell Productions, has announced the first series from its deal with Netflix. The '*Heart of Invictus*' will be a docuseries looking at the human stories behind the Invictus Games, the international sporting event founded by Harry. The series, set to release in 2023, will follow a group of competitors from around the globe, all service members who have suffered life-changing injuries or illnesses on their road to the Invictus Games The Hague 2022, now set to take place in 2022. We are excited to confirm that from Team Canada, S2 (Ret'd) Darrell Ling has been selected by the producers to be profiled as one of 5-6 featured competitors from the 20 Invictus Nations.

Darrell worked primarily in the Halifax-area throughout his career. He participated in four NATO exercises, as well as in the military response to the SwissAir Flight 111 disaster in 1998 and the 2010 Haiti earthquake. He is grateful to the Canadian Armed Forces for giving him a job, a trade and a career. After his injury, he isolated and neglected himself for years due to his PTSD, ultimately becoming homeless and losing almost all that being in the Forces had helped him become. He is working hard to build his life back up again and is grateful to be a part of Soldier On where he can develop meaningful bonds with other veterans. He believes that being part of the Invictus Games 2022 will help him get out of his comfort zone, build up his self-confidence, and restore his belief that he can still do whatever he puts his mind to. He is looking forward to competing in basketball, archery and rowing in the upcoming games.