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All Branch Mail Out #38

Date: June 18, 2021

TO: NS/NU Branches
NS/NU Executive Council
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NS/NU Command Staff

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

Subject: Executive Council Meeting Minutes

Message: Comrades: On behalf of NS/NU Chairman
Karen Lynch please find attached minutes of
Executive Council Meeting May 29, 2021

**The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2021**

In Attendance:

Marion Fryday-Cook	President
Donna McRury	1 st Vice-President
Merv Steadman	2 nd Vice President
Conrad Gilbert	Treasurer
Karen Lynch	Chairman
Mel Crowe	Immediate Past President
Cliff MacIntyre	Commander District A
Lorne MacDonald	Commander District B
Robert Hoeg	Commander District C
Peter Townsend	Commander District D
Don McCumber	Commander District E
Richard Malin	Commander District F
Cliff Laurin	Deputy Commander District G
Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte	Executive Director
Jane Scott	Recording Secretary
Anne MacGregor	Recording Secretary

Present for Report:

Ken George	Service Officer NS/NU Command
Steve Wessel	Chairman Standardized Branch Bylaws Committee

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Chairman Karen Lynch called the meeting to order at 09:07 am.

1. Opening Ritual

1st Vice President Donna McRury conducted the Opening Ritual.

2. Procedures

M – 1

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade MacDonald

To vary from the Agenda if required.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

No new items were added to the Agenda.

3. Service Bureau Report

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

M - 2

Moved by Comrade Malin, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the Service Bureau report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

President Fryday-Cook thanked the Service Officers for a tremendous job with the Service Officer's Training Seminar and for their ongoing hard work.

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch thanked Service Officer Ken George for the report and excused him from the meeting.

4. Minutes of Executive Council Meeting

M - 3

Moved by Comrade Crowe seconded by Comrade McCumber

That the minutes of Executive Council Meeting February 27/21 be accepted as amended.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

The Executive Director verified that M-40 recorded in the February 27/21 Executive Council Meeting minutes had been duly processed and carried unanimously in favour of the proposal.

M - 4

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the Minutes of Special Executive Council Meeting April 19/21 be accepted as distributed.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

5. Business Arising from the Minutes of Executive Council Meeting April 19 2021

NS/NU Command Constitution and By-Laws Committee Chairman Donna McRury reported that no reference could be found in By-Law, Policy or Terms of Reference directing that non-concurred resolutions be returned to the originating Branch.

She reported that Dominion Command confirmed that the matter of quorum for provincial/territorial Conventions falls within the jurisdiction of each Command and that current NS/NU Command By-Laws and Policy do not address the specific matter.

6. President's Remarks and Report

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

She reported that phase three of the Veterans Affairs Emergency Funding had been disbursed by National Command and asked District Commanders to remind Branches to check the Branch legion.ca email address for pay advice on the eft deposits.

M - 5

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the President's Report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

7. D.E.C Report

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

M - 6

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the D.E.C Report be accepted as submitted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Mervin Steadman, joined the meeting.

8. Finance and Building Committee Report

NS/NU Command Finance and Building Committee Chairman Donna McRury presented the financial report for April 2021.

NS/NU Command Finance and Building Committee Chairman Donna McRury reviewed the 2020 Auditors report.

M - 7

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Crowe

That the Finance and Building Committee Report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

9. Treasurer's Report

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert reported that Branch compliance with submission of monthly financial reports is highly satisfactory. He advised that monthly financial reports are integral to monitoring and assessing the financial stability of each Branch especially in this time of uncertainty. He reminded the meeting that Branch monthly financial reports are utilized in the consideration of potential grants/assistance to Branches as well as factored into the decision making process on extending permission for Branches to enter into loan agreements.

M - 8

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade Townsend

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

10. Correspondence

NS/NU Command Executive Director advised the meeting that there was no correspondence that had not been dealt with in the day to day business of Command.

11. Executive Director's Report

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

M - 9

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the Executive Director’s reports be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

12. Electronic Voting

The Executive Director reported that since the February 2021 Executive Council Meeting, and at time of writing, there had been 3 electronic votes documented as follows:

March 10	Permission to enter into loan agreement	Br. 08	Carried
March 12	Permission to enter into loan agreement	Br.78	Carried
March 18	Permission to enter into loan agreement	Br.162	Carried

13. District Reports

District A

NS/NU Command District A Commander Cliff MacIntyre referred the meeting to submitted report.

When questioned, District A Commander MacIntyre confirmed that he would complete the term and expected to report to Convention in October.

District B

NS/NU Command District B Commander Lorne MacDonald referred the meeting to submitted report.

District B Commander MacDonald advised the meeting that he would urgently address the serious issue of the poppy trademark with Branch 81.

When questioned on the matter of Branch 46 bylaws, District Commander MacDonald advised the meeting that he understood the Branch has yet to submit the full revision of the bylaws for approval of NS/NU Command. He agreed to investigate the matter and report to NS/NU Command Bylaws Committee.

District B Commander advised the meeting that further and accurate information pertaining to poppy trust fund assessments will be provided at the next District B meeting. It was agreed that the Executive Director would provide the District Commander with recent communication detailing information required to fully explain the poppy trust fund assessment.

District C

NS/NU Command District C Commander Robert Hoeg referred the meeting to submitted report.

District D

NS/NU Command District D Commander Peter Townsend referred the meeting to submitted report.

Deputy District G Commander Clifford Laurin joined the meeting.

District E

NS/NU Command District E Commander Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report.

District F

NS/NU Command District F Commander Richard Malin referred the meeting to submitted report.

Comrade Malin informed the meeting that the Zone 14 Commander position will become vacant effective June 01, 2021.

District G

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

District Commanders were strongly reminded of the correct format for District reports to Executive Council utilizing the approved forms.

M - 10

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the District Reports be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Crowe left the meeting.

14. Committee Reports

Alcohol and Gaming

NS/NU Command Alcohol and Gaming Committee Chairman Cliff MacIntyre referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 11

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Fryday-Cook

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Crowe returned to the meeting.

Appeals

NS/NU Command Appeals Committee Chairman Mel Crowe referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 12

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Benevolent Fund

NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund Committee Chairman Mel Crowe referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 13

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Bursary/Scholarship Committee

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

In addition to the report, Comrade Fryday-Cook confirmed that the selection process had been completed and awarded as follows:

- (6) Wales Scholarships @ \$1,000.00 each
- (6) Elsie Jean Lambert Scholarships @ \$500.00 each
- (10) Trust Fund Bursaries @ \$500.00 each

She advised that Zone Commanders will be notified appropriately and that as no high school graduation ceremonies will take place, presentations will not be required.

M - 14

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade Crowe

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Hoeg left the meeting.

Cadet Medal of Excellence

NS/NU Cadet Medal of Excellence Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report noting that, due to extenuating circumstances, a late application was accepted and approved.

M - 15

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Hoeg rejoined the meeting.

Complaints

NS/NU Command Complaints Committee Chairman Mervin Steadman reported that as Article III remains suspended, there is no report at this time.

Constitution and By-Laws

NS/NU Command Constitution and By-Laws Committee Chairman Donna McRury referred the meeting to submitted report and presented the Committee's recommendations.

<p><u>Existing:</u> <u>815 A.</u> The Command will limit its expenditures not to exceed revenues and take whatever corrective action is required to achieve a balanced budget.</p>	<p><u>Proposed Change/ Amendment</u> <u>815</u> With the objective and intention of continued support to Members and Stakeholders over the long term, Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command, as a Not for Profit Organization, will practice prudent financial managements in a manner consistent with guidance issued by the Canada Revenue Agency.</p>
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M - 16

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Fryday-Cook

That the proposed change/amendment to By-Law 815 A. be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

<p><u>Existing</u> <u>815.B.</u> The Benevolent fund with its charitable status and unpredictable revenues and expenditures on a year-to-year basis, will be considered exempt from Article 815 A.</p>	<p><u>Proposed Change/Amendment</u> <u>Remove.</u></p>
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M - 17

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Steadman

That the proposed change/amendment to Article 815 B. be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

M-18

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Fryday-Cook

That the report be accepted as submitted and presented.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Defence and Security Representative

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch referred the meeting to the submitted report by NS/NU Defence and Security Representative George Della Valle.

M - 19

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Crowe

That the Defence and Security Representative report be accepted as submitted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Ritual, Awards and Protocol

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

Comrade McRury thanked the District Commanders for assisting with the Command Holding Branch award presentations.

M - 20

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade MacDonald

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Leadership and Development

NS/NU Chairman Karen Lynch referred the meeting to the report submitted by NS/NU Leadership and Development Committee Chairman Glen Leduc.

Comrade Lynch requested clarification on the formerly proposed committee name change to Training and Development. Comrade McRury confirmed that the proposal is on the agenda for the next Constitution and Bylaws Committee meeting.

M - 21

Moved by Comrade Malin, seconded by Comrade Hoeg

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Leadership Training Camp

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch referred the meeting to the report submitted by Committee Chairman Glen Leduc.

M - 22

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade MacDonald

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Legion Magazine

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch referred the meeting to submitted report from Legion Magazine Correspondent Rita Connors.

M - 23

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Meeting recessed at 10:45

Meeting resumed at 10:55

Membership

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

Discussion ensued regarding incentives to increase membership. Chairman MacDonald agreed to explore the potential of incentives with the Committee and to request costing and results from National Command around recent incentives offered at that level.

M - 24

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Hoeg

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Personnel

NS/NU Command Personnel Committee Chairman Donna McRury extended thanks to staff for all their hard work, and to the Executive Director for her continued support of staff safety and wellness during the pandemic.

M - 25

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Crowe

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Poppy and Remembrance

NS/NU Command Poppy and Remembrance Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report.

He extended congratulations to students from the Elmsdale and Arras Branch areas for 3rd place awards at the National Poster and Literacy contest level.

He noted that he will participate in a National Poppy and Remembrance Committee of the Whole meeting in late June and invited Executive Council members to provide him with any concerns or matters they wish to have addressed in that forum by June 14.

M - 26

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Public Relations

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

M - 27

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Grand Parade

NS/NU Command Grand Parade Committee Chairman Richard Malin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 28

Moved by Comrade Malin, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Resolutions

No further report at this time.

Sports

NS/NU Command Sports Committee Chairman Robert Hoeg referred the meeting to the submitted report.

Comrade Hoeg corrected the date of the Dominion Eight Ball National Tournament to be held in Innisfail, AB to May 27-30, 2022.

Comrade Fryday-Cook reminded Council that the 2023 hosts for National Cribbage and Darts have not yet been awarded with the deadline for applications to host set for end July 2021. Chairman Hoeg confirmed that notice has been circulated to all Branches.

M - 29

Moved by Comrade Hoeg, seconded by Comrade McCumber

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans Outreach

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch referred the meeting to the report submitted by NS/NU Command Committee Chairman George Della Valle.

M - 30

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans Services and Seniors

NS/NU Command Veterans Services and Seniors Committee Chairman Richard Malin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 31

Moved by Comrade Malin, seconded by Comrade Crowe

That the report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

15. Scheduled Business/New Business

GIC Investments

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert presented the recommendations from the NS/NU Command Finance Committee pertaining to the four GIC investments due to mature at the end of May 2021.

M - 32

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade Steadman

That the recommendation of the Finance Committee to reinvest GIC certificate 1P4BN4 in the principal amount of \$80,000.00 in the best interest of NS/NU Command and, that interest earned at maturity be deposited in the Benevolent account credited to Veteran assistance, be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

M - 33

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McCumber

That the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to cash out GIC certificate 1P4LMS in the principal amount of \$23,500.00 plus interest earned and, that the total sum be deposited to the General account credited to the Dominion Convention line, be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

M - 34

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to reinvest GIC certificate 1K0HTL Supplementary, in the principal amount of \$25,000.00 be reinvested in accordance with NS/NU Command bylaw, in the best interest of NS/NU Command and, that interest earned at maturity be deposited in the Benevolent account credited to Veteran assistance, be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

M - 35

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to reinvest GIC certificate 1K0HV1 Capital Reserve, in the principal amount of \$100,000.00, in accordance with NS/NU Command bylaw, in the best interest of NS/NU Command and, that interest earned at maturity be deposited in the Benevolent account credited to Veteran assistance, be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Ad Hoc Committee: Government Grant (Food Insecurities)

NS/NU Command President and Ad Hoc Committee Chairman Marion Fryday Cook referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M - 36

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Ad Hoc Committee: Branch Assistance

NS/NU Command Treasurer and Ad Hoc Committee Chairman Conrad Gilbert referred to the submitted report.

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McCumber

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook will provide District Commanders with the list of Branches to receive the financial assistance.

NS/NU Command Convention

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook reported verbally on the NS/NU Command Convention. The meeting was reminded that the deadline to submit credential certificates to NS/NU Command is June 30, 2021. The NS/NU Command Convention Committee held a meeting in Truro and will reconvene on July 5th to discuss moving ahead with the Convention. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic there will not be a parade or opening ceremonies taking place.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Awards and Presentations at Convention

NS/NU Command Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee Chairman Donna McRury brought forward the subject of the presentation of awards on the Convention floor as opposed to at the Pre-Convention Executive Council meeting. NS/NU Command Chairman Comrade Karen Lynch advised that the minutes from the 2019 Pre-Convention Executive Council meeting be referred to in order to ascertain any previous motions.

National Convention Update/Procedures re. Questions to National Convention Reports

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook provided the meeting with an update on the National Convention. She informed the meeting that Branches are required to send in their Credential Certificates to NS/NU Command no later than July 5th, 2021. The National Convention Book containing reports and resolutions will be made available on July 2nd. There will be two ways questions to the reports will be accepted: Questions may be submitted in advance via the National Convention website or in real time via e-mail during the actual reports. She suggested that given the expected high volume of questions, especially from Commands of a larger scale, that to circumvent the possible duplication of questions from within NS/NU Command, Branches send their questions to NS/NU Command prior to the Convention. An All Branch Mail Out will be disseminated to this effect. All information pertaining to the National Convention can be found on the Legion website: <https://www.legion.ca/who-we-are/how-we-operate/2021convention>.

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook proposed that, given the precarious stability of internet service throughout the Command, Executive Council participate in the National Convention collectively from the Dartmouth Best Western Hotel. The hotel has offered a price of \$99.00 a night plus tax. Participants will be able to connect via ethernet directly from their rooms. NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte will contact Executive Council members directly after the meeting to confirm their interest in participating from the hotel. Once numbers are ascertained a hotel booking will be confirmed.

M - 37

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

That NS/NU Command Executive Council and the NS/NU Command Executive Director convene at the Best Western, Dartmouth for the nights of August 13, 14 and 15, 2021 to attend the National Convention virtually.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Members of Executive Council will be required to notify NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte of their attendance by the deadline (to be provided.)

American Income Life Member Benefit

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook informed the meeting that NS/NU Command received the determination through Dominion Command that the current process used for the annual AIL mailout and relationship with AIL is contrary to the General Bylaw 110B. A meeting will be arranged with AIL to discuss the current relationship and NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook will inform Executive Council of any updates.

The meeting was recessed at 12:26 pm.

The meeting resumed at 1:00 pm.

Comrade Steve Wessel joined the meeting

Ad Hoc Committee: Standardized Bylaws

NS/NU Command Ad Hoc Committee Standardized Branch Bylaws Chairman Steve Wessel referred the meeting to the submitted report. He emphasized the importance of bringing unity to all by-laws, to ensure that Branch by-laws are clear, consistent, and not in contravention with the NS/NU Command By-laws or the General By-laws of The Royal Canadian Legion. Discussion ensued around the procedural aspects of Branch management being transferred into Branch Policy Manuals and barriers to providing Branch assistance without Branch policy on hand at Command. Comrade Wessel requested that NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte look into the procedures used for Branch Policy Manuals by two Commands (BC/Yukon and Ontario), as they already have Standardized Branch By-laws in place. It was agreed that following this meeting an electronic vote would be taken on a proposal to add item 1204: Branches are to submit an updated policy manual to NS/NU Command, and 1205: Branches are to submit policy changes on a yearly

basis to NS/NU Command to Article XII of the Standardized By-laws. Branches can use the NS/NU Command Policy book as a guideline for producing their own manuals.

M - 38

Moved by Comrade Steadman, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the Standardized Branch By-laws including Annex A be accepted and that they be presented to Convention for adoption at the Branch level.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans Service Recognition Book

NS/NU Command Veterans Service Recognition Book Committee Chairman Steve Wessel reminded the meeting of the August 31 deadline for submissions to the 2021 Veterans Service Recognition Book. He reported that there have been very few submissions received via Branches.

1:33pm – Comrade Steve Wessel leaves the meeting

Legion Capital Assistance Program

NS/NU Command Finance Committee Chairman Donna McRury reported verbally that 21 Branches submitted application to the 2021/2022 program; 16 were recommended.

16. Other Business

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook advised that she will be sending a card to Comrade Annie Edmonds as she is in the Sydney hospital and that Comrade Tom Eagles has been elected as the Mayor of Plaster Rock.

NS/NU Command Finance Committee Chairman Donna McRury sought clarification from NS/NU Command District B Commander Lorne MacDonald pertaining to travel expenses listed in the District B minutes dated March 21, 2021. NS/NU Command District B Commander Lorne MacDonald confirmed that the error would be corrected.

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte outlined proof-reading steps that can be taken prior to dissemination of District and Zone meeting minutes.

17. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Saturday September 11, 2021, at 9:00 am via Zoom.

18. President's Closing Remarks

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook thanked everyone for all their hard work throughout the last two years and especially throughout the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic. She reminded everyone of the importance of submitting Branch Credential certificates by the deadline.

There being no further business NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch adjourned the meeting at 1:53pm.

M - 39

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the meeting be adjourned.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

19. Closing Ritual

The Closing Ritual was conducted by NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Merv Steadman.



Marion Fryday-Cook
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 Service Bureau Report

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

Since 1 Jan and as of 13 May 2021:

- we are handling 356 open/active VAC files (note 1)
- we made 0 home visits (note 2)
- we had 61 VAC disability claims withdrawn (note 3)
- we had 60 favorable and 13 unfavorable VAC disability claim decisions.
- we have been responsible for approx. \$ 4.9 million dollars awarded. Which is the equivalent to financial lump sums for VAC disability claims including 1 new monthly pension and/or increase. As important to these monetary pay-outs are the medical benefits given to each person for the rest of their life.

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 - Complicated VAC cases which are Command clients who request to work on VAC forms in their home as they are not able to travel to our office due to mobility/medical issues.

Note 3 - 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 National Service Officer teleconferences and video meetings. They had a meeting with the Commander Joint Task Force Atlantic Office, represented by the Formation Chief Petty Officer and they conducted virtual Branch Service Officer Training.

On behalf of the Command Service Bureau, thanks to all the Branch Service Officers, Branch Executive and members for their dedication and determination through these unprecedented times. Also, to the Command Executive for their unwavering support, so we may remain functioning effectively through this Pandemic. The work of the Service Bureau would not be accomplished without all your assistance.

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Service Bureau

President's Report
Executive Council May 29, 2021

On March 8th approximately 10 members of the Executive Council and Zone Commanders attended a meeting with Doctor Strang and the members of Alcohol and Gaming and other government partners affiliated with the legions. The questions were submitted by branches to Dr. Strang's team who gave us the answers to help us continue to operate air branches safely in the middle of this pandemic. There were approximately 42 questions submitted from branches, District and Zone Commanders. The answers to these questions were then sent out to all with the appropriate responses. I'd like to thank the branches and Zone and District Commanders for gathering these questions so that we could all get the same answer at the same time.

On March 16th, the Executive Director and I traveled to Weymouth to attend their general meeting and on March 17th, we visited the Wolfville Legion's temporary location. They are in the middle of massive renovations to their branch and hope is to be opened by summer of 2021. They have organized education programs linked to Acadia University with veterans as the main focus. They have state of the art meeting rooms upstairs and I hope that once they are opened you will be able to visit. Please take the time to do so, if not you can visit their website for a virtual tour of their new building. We wish them all the best in their endeavours.

March 18th, the Executive Director, the Command Chairman and I visited the Truro Legion, and the Inn on Prince to meet with the LAC committee to review planning for the October convention. A walk through of the branch was conducted to lay out where registration, and credential tables will be located to make sure that all covid regulations are in place.

I have attended the Dominion membership committee meetings on March 30th and again on April 22nd. There were discussions on the numbers of members who had not paid their 2021 dues, and this would be discussed at the DEC meeting on April 23rd and 24th. You will hear more from the Membership chairman about efforts to contact membership chairmans across the command.

I attended the District F meeting on April 18, 2021 and conducted their elections and I swore in the District F Secretary/Treasurer for the ensuing term.

Phase III of the VOESF funds were sent to branches on May 7, 2021. This completes the \$14 million that was allocated to the Legions across Canada. At the end of May the second tranche of monies allocated from Dominion command will be sent out.

Thank you to all of you for your continued support of our veterans and branches. There is light at the end of this tunnel and we will be able to move forward with the goals that we all worked so hard for.

Yours in Comradeship,

Marion Fryday-Cook
President
NS/NU Command
The Royal Canadian Legion

DEC REPORT April 24-25, 2021

DEC met through Zoom over a two day period and there was a lot of information shared regarding Covid-19 and how the branches across the country were fairing. Provincial Presidents are meeting on a regular basis with President Irvine through Zoom. Legion House is closed until May 31st and all staff are working from home.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Treasurer reports that membership revenue is down due to branches not being opened. Expenses are down significantly with the cancellation of sports, travel and committees not meeting in person. The remainder of the \$3 million Dominion Command will be dispersed to Provincial/Territorial Commands by the end of May. Due to the inability of the auditors being able to meet with the Finance committee, another DEC meeting will be called on May 13, to approve the auditor's report for 2020.

POPPY - Pay to Tribute 2020 trial was successful and there have been requests for Pay Tribute poppy boxes on all CAF Bases and Wings. It was approved that there will be 2000 boxes for the 2021 Poppy campaign. Support for the *Heros in Mind Advocacy and Research Consortium* was approved at a cost of \$599,700 to be divided over three years. Support for *Heroes Mending on the Fly Canada* was approved in the amount of \$25,000. *Ways to Wellbeing* was granted \$15,000 to produce a documentary on Veterans and uniformed military to share their experiences of trauma. *11 Days of Remembrance* received \$6,000 to produce an educational presentation to be available to schools across Canada.

MEMBERSHIP- The approval of developing a digital legion card app for use on cell phones. The membership committee received approval to have a 3rd party company to call members who have not paid their 2021 dues to date. This call will allow members to directly be linked back to Dominion Command membership dept.

SPORTS All 2021 Dominion Members Sports have been cancelled due to the pandemic. The deadline for applications for 2023 Cribbage and Darts are due to Provincial Commands is July 31st.

DOMINION CONVENTION - The convention call will be released in May. It will be held virtually August 13-15, 2021

CENTENARY COMMITTEE - The Logo has been chosen and we have applied for a Coat of Arms. Plans for a 100th Anniversary coin, stamp and items from supply are ongoing. PR staff member Nujma Bond is working on a book dedicated to the last 100 years of the Royal Canadian Legion.

NFLD/LAB Command asked for a letter of support to repatriate the body of an unknown NFLD soldier for the 100th Anniversary of the War Memorial in St John's in 2024.

Discussion took place about the reinstatement of Article III. As of November 26 , all Article III complaints will remain in abeyance.

Yours in Comradeship
Marion Fryday-Cook
DEC Representative
NS/NU Command

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
Building and Finance Committee

May 2021

Committee members:

Donna McRury- Chairman

Marion Fryday-Cook- NS/NU Command President

Mervin Steadman- Member

Conrad Gilbert- Member

Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte- Committee Secretary

Comrades,

Since our last Executive Council meeting the committee met to discuss the Auditor expressed concern. The committee has reviewed Article 815 A & B, subsequently sending a recommendation to the Constitution and Bylaw committee by means of an amendment for Article 815 A & B to address the Auditor's concerns.

Building Report:

Update

the deductible reclaimed from PODS is still in progress

repairs to the building foyer were completed by Comrade Conrad

quotes for the building repairs are still in progress

heat pumps maintenance is being check and cleaned quarterly

Finance Report:

A review of the month end report will take place at the Executive Council meeting as well as the Audit for 2020

Respectfully submitted,

In Comradeship,

Ms. Donna McRury

Donna McRury

Building Committee Chairman

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)

April, 2021

YTD, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00
\$ 2,838.51	\$ 187.75	\$ 2,650.76
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 7,840.80	\$ 1,841.40	\$ 5,999.40
\$ 7,801.81	\$ 3,205.72	\$ 4,596.09
\$ 18,606.12	\$ 5,234.87	\$ 13,371.25

Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
\$ 7,664.90	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 2,164.90
\$ 25.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (975.00)
\$ 3,414.89	\$ 14,766.81	\$ (11,351.92)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 59.88	\$ 796.00	\$ (736.12)
\$ 167,329.32	\$ 194,000.00	\$ (26,670.68)
\$ 39,986.66	\$ 87,500.00	\$ (47,513.34)
\$ 218,480.65	\$ 303,682.81	\$ (85,082.16)

OPERATING REVENUE

General Revenue		
4015	Percentage of Dominion Sales Revenue	
4100	Taxable Command Supply Sale	
4200	Interest Income	
4260	Postage & Courier Income - (non-poppy)	
4060	Miscellaneous Revenue	
4060	Miscellaneous Revenue - General	
4400	Per Capita Tax (Current Membership Fees)	
4526 & 4528	Veterans Service Recognition Booklet	
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

\$ 68.70	\$ -	\$ 68.70
\$ 9,357.88	\$ 9,357.88	\$ (0.00)
\$ 489.51	\$ 504.94	\$ (15.43)
\$ 206.98	\$ 298.59	\$ (91.61)
\$ 351.00	\$ 342.00	\$ 9.00
\$ 80.00	\$ 65.70	\$ 14.30
\$ 413.98	\$ 556.30	\$ (142.32)
\$ 112.05	\$ 613.42	\$ (501.36)
\$ 1,928.60	\$ 1,120.00	\$ 808.60
\$ 581.98	\$ 404.86	\$ 177.12
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,333.04	\$ 1,778.86	\$ (445.82)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ (25,000.00)	\$ -	\$ (25,000.00)
\$ 1,002.65	\$ 1,168.00	\$ (165.35)
\$ 1,040.52	\$ 968.48	\$ 72.04
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 80.80	\$ 50.52	\$ 30.28
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 57.00	\$ 178.47	\$ (121.47)
\$ (7,805.30)	\$ 17,372.02	\$ (25,177.32)

General Expenses		
6020	Branch Supplies Purchases	
6130	Salaries - General	
6160	CPP Expense - General	
6160	EI Expense - General	
6170	RRSP Employer Expense - General	
6180	Workers Compensation - General	
6200	Telephone/Fax - General	
6210	Office Supplies - General	
6215	Computer Expense - General	
6220	Postage & Courier - General	
6229	Legal - General	
6230	Audit - General	
6236	Assistance to Branches	
6240	Donations - General	
6245	Amortization - General	
6260	Leasing Contracts - General	
6265	NS/NU Command Use - General (eg. Staff bo	
6260	Staff Training - General	
6266	Sundries - Coffee, General Items	
6270	Membership Renewal Expenses	
6280	Interest & Bank Charges - General	
Total General Expenses		

\$ 131.70	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (868.30)
\$ 28,417.28	\$ 81,101.65	\$ (52,684.37)
\$ 1,478.00	\$ 4,378.20	\$ (2,899.20)
\$ 654.47	\$ 2,310.40	\$ (1,655.93)
\$ 975.00	\$ 2,964.00	\$ (1,989.00)
\$ 220.13	\$ 589.41	\$ (369.28)
\$ 1,677.59	\$ 4,875.00	\$ (3,197.41)
\$ 1,375.88	\$ 7,380.00	\$ (5,984.12)
\$ 2,906.88	\$ 5,790.00	\$ (2,883.12)
\$ 1,333.17	\$ 7,800.00	\$ (6,466.83)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 5,956.02	\$ 22,000.00	\$ (16,043.98)
\$ 211.12	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,288.88)
\$ 25,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (24,500.00)
\$ 4,367.14	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (9,632.86)
\$ 2,081.04	\$ 3,760.00	\$ (1,678.96)
\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (1,200.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 279.20	\$ 500.00	\$ (220.80)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 339.45	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,660.55)
\$ 27,404.10	\$ 163,676.82	\$ (136,272.72)

\$ -	\$ 193.52	\$ (193.52)
\$ 23.09	\$ 60.00	\$ (36.91)
\$ 57.75	\$ 37.50	\$ 20.25
\$ 336.20	\$ 405.43	\$ (69.23)
\$ 540.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 90.00
\$ 470.00	\$ 469.18	\$ 0.82
\$ 1,427.04	\$ 1,605.63	\$ (178.59)

Occupancy Expenses		
6310	Repairs & Maintenance - General	
6320	Fire Tax - General	
6330	Water - General	
6350	Electricity - General	
6360	Cleaning Expense - General	
6370	Insurance - General	
Total Occupancy Expenses		

\$ 2,129.69	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (2,870.31)
\$ 98.09	\$ 600.00	\$ (501.91)
\$ 220.50	\$ 450.00	\$ (229.50)
\$ 1,913.31	\$ 5,171.25	\$ (3,257.94)
\$ 2,160.00	\$ 5,200.00	\$ (3,040.00)
\$ 1,880.00	\$ 5,700.00	\$ (3,820.00)
\$ 8,401.69	\$ 22,121.26	\$ (13,719.57)

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Programs Fund - Programs Statement**

April, 2021

YTD, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
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Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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PROGRAM REVENUE
 4450 Leadership Training Camp Income
 - (Incl donation fr Lotto & VSRB)
 4285 Miscellaneous Income -LTC
 Donation - LTC
 4550 Sports Revenues
Total Program Revenue

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

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

PROGRAM EXPENSES
 5543 & 5545 Leadership Training Camp
 5546 Grand Parade
 5556 Trust 1 Bursary
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

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

\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ -		\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)

SPORTS EXPENSES
 5505 Sports Committee Expense - General
 5510 Darts Expense - General
 5520 Cribbage Expense - General
 5522 8 Ball Pool - General
 5525 Track & Field Expense - General
TOTAL SPORTS EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)

\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
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TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
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\$ -	\$ (100.00)	\$ 100.00
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\$ -	\$ (100.00)	\$ 100.00
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Poppy Fund - Poppy Statement**

April, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 22.72	\$ 69.75	\$ (47.03)
\$ 317.84	\$ 533.33	\$ (215.49)
\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00
\$ 123.58	\$ 187.50	\$ (63.92)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 75,481.17	\$ 790.58	\$ 74,690.59

\$ 11.20	\$ -	\$ 11.20
\$ 112.46	\$ 206.96	\$ (94.50)
\$ 123.66	\$ 206.96	\$ (83.30)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 266.32	\$ 334.08	\$ (67.76)
\$ 260.13	\$ 235.00	\$ 25.13
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 402.15	\$ 320.00	\$ 182.15
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 10.40	\$ (10.40)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 28.02	\$ 124.22	\$ (96.20)
\$ 145.50	\$ 12.43	\$ 133.07
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 11,123.24	\$ 11,293.93	\$ (170.69)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ (250.00)
\$ 6,936.92	\$ 7,021.50	\$ (84.58)
\$ 138.00	\$ 185.73	\$ (47.73)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 19,380.28	\$ 19,787.29	\$ (407.01)

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

\$ 19,503.94	\$ 19,994.25	\$ (490.31)
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\$ 55,977.23	\$ (19,203.67)	\$ 75,180.90
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YTD, 2021

Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
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POPPY REVENUE

4601 Poppy Promotional Free Items	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4610 Taxable Poppy Sales	\$ 339.22	\$ 55,000.00	\$ (54,660.78)
4615 Non-Taxable Poppy Sales	\$ 112.88	\$ 320,000.00	\$ (319,887.12)
4623 Assessed Poppy	\$ 78,051.20	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 13,051.20
4630 Interest Income Poppy	\$ 560.01	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,939.99)
4650 Donation Income - Poppy	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
Total Poppy Revenue	\$ 79,080.34	\$ 443,000.00	\$ (363,919.66)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 339.22	\$ 55,000.00	\$ (54,660.78)
\$ 112.88	\$ 320,000.00	\$ (319,887.12)
\$ 78,051.20	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 13,051.20
\$ 560.01	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,939.99)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 79,080.34	\$ 443,000.00	\$ (363,919.66)

Poppy Purchases

5610 Taxable Poppy Purchases	\$ 226.80	\$ 39,657.17	\$ (39,440.37)
5615 Non-Taxable Poppy Purchases	\$ -	\$ 238,000.00	\$ (238,000.00)
Total Poppy Purchases	\$ 226.80	\$ 277,657.17	\$ (277,440.37)

\$ 226.80	\$ 39,657.17	\$ (39,440.37)
\$ -	\$ 238,000.00	\$ (238,000.00)
\$ 226.80	\$ 277,657.17	\$ (277,440.37)

Poppy Expenses

5625 Advertising - Poppy	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5627 Building Maint - Poppy	\$ 1,251.29	\$ 3,173.75	\$ (1,922.46)
5629 Service Contracts - Poppy	\$ 520.26	\$ 940.00	\$ (419.74)
5630 NS/NU Bursary Cheques - Poppy (24@\$500.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5635 Computer Expenses - Poppy	\$ 625.81	\$ 1,440.00	\$ (814.19)
5640 Donations - Poppy	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5650 Interest & Bank Charges Poppy	\$ -	\$ 130.00	\$ (130.00)
5655 NS/NU Command Office Use-Poppy	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5660 Office Supplies - Poppy	\$ 444.89	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (1,755.11)
5665 Postage & Courier - Poppy	\$ 453.35	\$ 350.00	\$ 103.35
5670 Poster & Essay Winners - Poppy	\$ 1,190.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (10.00)
5671-78 Wages & Benefits	\$ 33,351.19	\$ 97,880.75	\$ (64,529.56)
5679 Special Functions - Poppy	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)
5680 Service Officer Travel - Poppy	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
5685 Secretarial - Poppy	\$ 20,776.58	\$ 60,853.04	\$ (40,076.46)
5690 Telephone - Poppy	\$ 599.20	\$ 1,625.00	\$ (1,025.80)
5693 Transfer to Veterans Outreach	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -
5695 Public Relations - Poppy	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
Total Poppy Expenses	\$ 71,172.57	\$ 182,692.64	\$ (111,519.97)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,251.29	\$ 3,173.75	\$ (1,922.46)
\$ 520.26	\$ 940.00	\$ (419.74)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 625.81	\$ 1,440.00	\$ (814.19)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 130.00	\$ (130.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 444.89	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (1,755.11)
\$ 453.35	\$ 350.00	\$ 103.35
\$ 1,190.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (10.00)
\$ 33,351.19	\$ 97,880.75	\$ (64,529.56)
\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 20,776.58	\$ 60,853.04	\$ (40,076.46)
\$ 599.20	\$ 1,625.00	\$ (1,025.80)
\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ 71,172.57	\$ 182,692.64	\$ (111,519.97)

Travel & Allowances

5430 Poppy Committee	\$ 306.33	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,693.67)
Total Travel & Allowances	\$ 306.33	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,693.67)

\$ 306.33	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,693.67)
\$ 306.33	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,693.67)

TOTAL POPPY EXPENDITURES

\$ 71,706.70	\$ 482,359.71	\$ (390,654.01)
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Poppy Net Income (Loss)

\$ 7,374.64	\$ (19,358.71)	\$ 26,734.35
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Elsie Jean Lambert Fund - EJ Lambert Statement**

April, 2021

YTD, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
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Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
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\$ 7.12	\$ -	\$ 7.12
\$ 7.12	\$ -	\$ 7.12

LAMBERT INCOME

Interest Income -
Lambert used for Bursary Funding
re: E J Lambert

4910

Total Bursary/Scholarship Income

\$ 826.85	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (2,673.15)
\$ 826.85	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (2,673.15)

LAMBERT EXPENSES

5905 Bank Charges - Lambert
5910 Elsie Lambert Scholarship Cheques

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

TOTAL LAMBERT EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (3,500.00)
		\$ -
\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (3,500.00)

\$ 7.12	\$ -	\$ 7.12
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Net Income (Loss)

\$ 826.85	\$ -	\$ 826.85
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RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Fund - Benevolent Statement

April, 2021

YTD, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
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Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
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BENEVOLENT REVENUE

\$ 2,892.50	\$ 1,133.33	\$ 1,759.17
\$ 201.98	\$ 162.50	\$ 38.66
\$ 3,093.86	\$ 1,295.83	\$ 1,798.03

4810 Donations - Benevolent	\$ 8,623.86	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (11,376.14)
4820 Interest Income - Benevolent	\$ 905.29	\$ 3,250.00	\$ (2,344.71)
TOTAL BENEVOLENT REVENUE	\$ 9,629.16	\$ 23,250.00	\$ (13,720.86)

BENEVOLENT EXPENSES

\$ -		\$ -
\$ 8.00	\$ 7.14	\$ 0.86

5810 Benevolent Disbursements	\$ 11,106.46	\$ 26,543.00	\$ (15,436.54)
5820 Bank Charges	\$ 39.48	\$ 100.00	\$ (60.52)

TOTAL BENEVOLENT EXPENSES

\$ 8.00	\$ 7.14	\$ 0.86
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\$ 11,145.94	\$ 26,643.00	\$ (15,497.06)
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\$ 3,005.86	\$ 1,288.69	\$ 1,797.17
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Total Benevolent Net Income (Loss)	\$ (1,616.79)	\$ (3,393.00)	\$ 1,776.21
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April, 2021

YTD, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
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Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
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VETERANS OUTREACH REVENUE

\$ -		\$ -
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4553 Veterans Outreach Program	\$ 13,545.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ (4,455.00)
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VETERANS OUTREACH EXPENSES

\$ -		\$ -
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5830 Veterans Outreach Program	\$ 22,490.59	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (12,509.41)
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Total Veterans Outreach Net Income (Loss)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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\$ (8,945.59)	\$ (17,000.00)	\$ 8,054.41
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April, 2021

YTD, 2021

Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021
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Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD
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PAWS FUR THOUGHT REVENUE

\$ -	\$ 26,600.00	\$ (26,600.00)
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4812 Donations - Paws Fur Thought	\$ 26,833.33	\$ 102,000.00	\$ (75,166.67)
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PAWS FUR THOUGHT EXPENSES

\$ -		\$ -
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5850 Paws Fur Thought - Benevolent	\$ -	\$ 102,000.00	\$ (102,000.00)
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Total PAWS Fur Thought Net Income (Loss)

\$ -	\$ 26,600.00	\$ (26,600.00)
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\$ 26,833.33	\$ -	\$ 26,833.33
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Summary - General Fund**

April, 2021			YTD, 2021				
Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021	Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD		
\$ 18,506.12	\$ 5,234.87	\$ 13,271.25	Revenue - General Total	\$ 218,480.65	\$ 303,562.81	\$ (85,082.16)	
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Revenue - Programs Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 18,506.12	\$ 5,234.87	\$ 13,271.25		Revenue Total	\$ 218,480.65	\$ 303,562.81	\$ (85,082.16)
\$ (5,713.33)	\$ 23,224.31	\$ (28,937.64)	Expense - General Total	\$ 40,117.24	\$ 263,010.07	\$ (222,892.83)	
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)		Expense - Programs Total	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ (5,713.33)	\$ 23,324.31	\$ (29,037.64)		Expense Total	\$ 40,117.24	\$ 263,110.07	\$ (222,992.83)
\$ 24,219.45	\$ (18,089.44)	\$ 42,308.89	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 178,363.41	\$ 40,452.74	\$ 137,910.67	

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

April, 2021			YTD, 2021			
Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021	Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD	
\$ 75,481.17	\$ 790.58	\$ 74,690.59	Revenue - Poppy Total	\$ 79,080.34	\$ 443,000.00	\$ (363,919.66)
\$ 75,481.17	\$ 790.58	\$ 74,690.59		Revenue Total	\$ 79,080.34	\$ 443,000.00
\$ 19,503.94	\$ 19,994.25	\$ (490.31)	Expense - Poppy Total	\$ 71,705.70	\$ 462,359.71	\$ (390,654.01)
\$ 19,503.94	\$ 19,994.25	\$ (490.31)		Expense Total	\$ 71,705.70	\$ 462,359.71
\$ 55,977.23	\$ (19,203.67)	\$ 75,180.90	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 7,374.64	\$ (19,359.71)	\$ 26,734.35

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

April, 2021			YTD, 2021			
Actual Apr. 2021	Budget Apr. 2021	Variance Apr. 2021	Actual YTD	Budget 2021	Variance YTD	
\$ 7.12	\$ -	\$ 7.12	Revenue - Lambert Total	\$ 826.85	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (2,673.15)
\$ 7.12	\$ -	\$ 7.12		Revenue Total	\$ 826.85	\$ 3,500.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Expense - Lambert Total	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (3,500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Expense Total	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00
\$ 7.12	\$ -	\$ 7.12	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 826.85	\$ -	\$ 826.85

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Investments Statement

April, 2021

Visa Points	344,945
Plus: Current Points Earned	3,448
Less: Redeemed Points	-
	348,391

E.J. Lambert GIC cashed in effective Mar 30, 2021
new GIC purchased

Scotiabank Investment Listing:	GL Acct	Purchase Date	Orig. Invest.	nt. Rate	Term	Maturity	Mar.2021 #2 Balance Sheet Value	Mar.2021 #1 Balance Sheet Value	Interest
Term 1C8XFK	1110	Dec.1/17	\$22,657.57	2.40%	4 Years	Dec.1/21	\$24,523.52	\$24,379.54	\$ 143.98
GIC IS041V-Elsie Jean Lambert	1150	Mar.30/21	\$200,000.00	0.66%	1 Years	Mar.30/22	\$200,007.12	\$200,000.00	\$ 7.12
GIC 1P4LMS	1173	Aug.25/20	\$23,500.00	0.90%	9 mos	May.25/21	\$23,526.90	\$23,574.75	\$ 52.15
GIC1P4BN4	1174	Aug.24/20	\$80,000.00	0.90%	9 mos	May.24/21	\$80,433.97	\$80,256.44	\$ 177.53
GIC 1C8X9G	1105	Dec.1/17	\$50,000.00	2.40%	4 Years	Dec.1/21	\$54,117.71	\$53,799.98	\$ 317.73
GIC 1FN40J	1189	Jul. 27/18	\$50,000.00	3.00%	3 Years	Jul. 27/21	\$54,130.57	\$53,738.15	\$ 392.42
GIC 1HRY6T	1190	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	5 Years	Feb.14/24	\$53,415.28	\$53,008.22	\$ 407.06
GIC 1HRY6V	1191	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	5 Years	Feb.14/24	\$53,415.28	\$53,008.22	\$ 407.06
GIC 1K0HTL Supplementary	1192	May.30/19	\$25,000.00	2.41%	2 Years	May.31/21	\$26,121.47	\$25,969.31	\$ 152.16
GIC 1K0HV1 Capital Reserve Cashable	1193	May.30/19	\$100,000.00	2.41%	2 Years	May.31/21	\$104,485.87	\$103,877.26	\$ 608.61
							\$674,277.69	\$671,611.87	\$ 2,665.82

BURSARY FUNDING (and INFORMATION)

- 1) Wales from Dept of Education \$6,000.00 split anyway
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) Trusty Bursary Fund = 5000.00 (Trust 1- Operating Bank Account) 5 @ 1000.00 each

Proof
\$674,277.69
\$671,611.87
\$2,665.82

Elsie Lambert Fund

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

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Income Statement Apr 01, 2021 to Apr 30, 2021

REVENUE

General Income

Taxable Command Supply Sale-General		25.00
Interest Income - General		2,838.51
Total General Income		<u>2,863.51</u>

Program Revenues

Per Capita Tax		7,840.80
VeteransRecognitionBook - taxable	5,165.00	
VeteransRecognitionBook - non tax	2,636.81	
Net: VeteransServiceRecognitionBook		7,801.81
Total Program Revenues		<u>15,642.61</u>

Poppy Income

Taxable Poppy Sales	22.72	
Non-Taxable Poppy Sales	317.84	
Net: Poppy Sales		340.56
Postage & Courier Income-Poppy		17.03
Assessed Poppy		75,000.00
Interest Income - Poppy		123.58
Total Poppy Income		<u>75,481.17</u>

Benevolent Income

Donations - Benevolent		2,892.50
Interest Income - Benevolent		201.38
Total Benevolent Income		<u>3,093.88</u>

Lambert Income

Interest Income - Lambert		7.12
Total Lambert Income		<u>7.12</u>

TOTAL REVENUE 97,068.27

EXPENSE

Administrative Expense

Branch Supplies Purchases-General		68.70
Total General Purchases for Res...		<u>68.70</u>

General & Admin. Expenses

Salaries - General		9,357.88
CPP Expense - General		489.51
EI Expense - General		208.98
RRSP Employer Expense - General		351.00
WCB - General		80.00
Telephone/Fax -General		413.98
Office Supplies-General		112.06
Computer Expense-General		1,828.60
Postage & Courier - General		581.96
Audit - General		1,333.04
Donations - General		-25,000.00
Amortization - General		1,092.65
Leasing Contracts - General		1,040.52
Sundries-Coffee, Misc Items-Genera		60.80
Bank Charges - General *5119		57.00
Total Administration - General		<u>-7,874.00</u>

Occupancy Expenses

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Fire Tax		23.09
Water - General		57.75
Electricity - General		338.20
Cleaning Expense - General		540.00
Insurance - General		470.00
Total Occupancy Costs		<u>1,427.04</u>
Convention Costs - General		
NS/NU Comm Convention Costs-General		51.53
Total Convention Costs - General		<u>51.53</u>
Travel & Allowances - General		
Command President Exp-General		89.04
Veteran Service Recognition Books		500.00
Treasurer Expenses - General		24.38
Total Travel & Allowance - Gene...		<u>613.40</u>
Poppy Expenses		
Taxable Poppy Purchases	11.20	
Non-Taxable Poppy Purchases	<u>112.46</u>	
Net Poppy Purchases		123.68
Building Maint - Poppy		266.32
Service Contracts - Poppy		260.13
Computer Expenses - Poppy		482.15
Office Supplies - Poppy		28.02
Postage & Courier - Poppy		145.50
Salaries - Poppy		9,990.54
CPP Expense - Poppy		521.70
EI Expense - Poppy		221.00
RRSP Deductions - Poppy		390.00
Secretarial - Poppy		6,836.92
Telephone - Poppy		138.00
Total Poppy Expenses		<u>19,503.94</u>
Benevolent Expenses		
Benevolent Interest & Bank Charges		8.00
Total Benevolent Expenses		<u>8.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE		<u>13,798.61</u>
NET INCOME		<u><u>83,289.68</u></u>

ASSET

Current Assets

Petty Cash		392.80
Emergency Cash-Poppy		1,000.00
Scotiabank - General ..*5119		564,489.44
Scotiabank - Poppy ..*7014		412,134.58
Scotiabank -Veteran S Recog ..*5518		13,885.50
Scotiabank - Benevolent ..0813		626,711.06
Scotiabank - Lambert (new) ..3111		8,973.07
Scotiabank - WebDonations ..0817		1,579.41
Scotiabank - Trust1 Bursary ..0019		23,168.48
Scotiabank - Programs ..00*4710		1,496.76
Term 1C8XFK_end 12/21		24,523.52
GIC - Elsie Jean Lambert_ends 03/22		200,000.00
GIC - Elsie Jean Lambert_ends 03/21		7.12
Scotiabank GIC-P4LMS_end 05/21		23,628.90
ScotiabankInvest 1P4BN4_end 05/21		80,433.97
Scotia Bank Invest 1C8X9G_end 12/21		54,117.71
Scotia Bank Invest 1FN40J_end 07/21		54,130.57
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY8T_end 02/24		53,415.28
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY8V_end 02/24		53,415.28
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HTL_end 05/21		26,121.47
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HV1_end 05/21		104,485.87
Accounts Receivable Control		8,307.81
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		-3,717.19
Due from Poppy to General		411,612.55
Inventory - Poppy and Wreath		19,760.70
Poppy Promotional (free) items		419.45
Inventory - Promotional Supplies		23,247.13
Inventory Adjustment		475.00
Prepaid Expenses		2,508.50
Total Current Assets		<u>2,780,420.72</u>

Capital Assets

Land		140,179.95
Building	532,110.75	
Accum. Amort. - Building	-242,380.60	
Net - Building		289,730.15
Office Furniture & Equipment	128,052.05	
Accum. Amort. - Furn. & Equip.	-121,632.45	
Net - Furniture & Equipment		6,419.60
Computer Equipment	18,820.32	
Accum. Amort - Computer Equipment	-18,835.05	
Net : Computer Equipment		-14.73
Total Capital Assets		<u>438,314.97</u>

TOTAL ASSET

3,226,735.69

LIABILITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable		4,833.63
Vacation Accrual Paid		-1,458.26
Accrued Vacation		1,458.26
Accrued Liabilities		12,191.67
RRSP Contributions Payable		852.00
"DoNotUse" RRSP Personal		700.00
CPP Payable		2,733.19
EI Payable		1,327.34
Workers Comp Payable		-153.60
Federal Income Tax Payable		4,524.22
HST Charged on Sales	774.87	

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Balance Sheet As at Apr 30, 2021

HST Paid on Purchases	51.87	
HST Owing (Refund)		826.54
Owing to General from Poppy		411,812.85
Deferred Revenue		1,863.75
Total Current Liabilities		<u>440,911.59</u>
Long Term Liabilities		
Deferred Revenue Long Term		18,202.81
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2026		326.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2027		84.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2028		169.40
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2030		121.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2022		6,050.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2023		3,121.80
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2024		2,919.30
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2025		2,586.20
Total Long Term Liabilities		<u>33,480.91</u>
TOTAL LIABILITY		<u>474,372.50</u>
EQUITY		
Fund Balances		
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	1,114,362.01	
Capital Reserve Fund	100,000.00	
Supplementary Fund	25,000.00	
Investment in Capital Assots	466,152.00	
Current Earnings	202,835.85	
General Fund Balance	164,800.33	
Poppy Fund Balance	104,701.00	
Lotto Fund Balance	1,308.00	
Benevolent Fund Balance	368,150.00	
Lambert Fund Balance	205,054.00	
Trust 1 Bursary	0.00	
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,752,363.19</u>	
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>2,752,363.19</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		<u><u>3,226,735.69</u></u>

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Report to Executive Council May 29 2021

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

More frequent meetings with National Directors, especially around the upcoming National Convention and when designated, National committee meetings are attended.

Consultation with various provincial/territorial government departments is ongoing as it relates to public health orders and programs and with other Veteran centric organizations for the purposes of collaboration.

Presentation of the annual budget was made to the Finance and Building Committee and development completed.

Processing of Branch applications in Phase II of the VAC Veteran Organization funding through National Command was carried out.

Applications for 2 grants under NS Communities Culture and Heritage were submitted, contracts signed and actioned.

An application to Accessibility NS for upgrades to the building was submitted to the province of Nova Scotia.

Review of Policy relating to NS/NU Command Convention was carried out with updates submitted to the Bylaws Committee.

Facilitation and planning for the NS/NU Command Convention is ongoing, Convention Call issued.

An increase in support to Branches surrounding complicated internal conflict, non-adherence and clarification regarding bylaws, suspect financial controls, confusion created through misinformation and circumventing the channel of communication, interpretation of health protocols, compliance in the use of poppy trust funds, non-response to requests from Command, demand for special consideration and at times outright panic and stress, is ongoing.

There has been remarkable co-operation from Branches throughout the Command in meeting requests for Benevolent assistance to Veterans and their dependants.

Meeting with the RCMP Service Operational Stress Injury Co-ordinator was attended to discuss collaboration and mutual support.

Meeting with the Formation Chief Maritime Forces Atlantic/Joint Task Force Atlantic was attended to establish awareness and mutual support.

Meetings with OISS Family Peer Co-ordinators, OSI Peer Co-ordinator, Veteran Farm Project, Veterans Memorial Medical Centre, Paws Fur Thought, RCL OSI Special Section, Royal NS International Tattoo Foundation Chairman were attended.

Co-ordination with Auditors and CRA in applying for Federal government wage subsidy.

Follow up to questions arising regarding unexplained Branch Poppy Trust Fund expenditures at the direction of the Command Treasurer 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.

Site visits by contractors for preparation of quotes for building upgrades were carried out, awaiting final quotes at this time.

Annual Audit was carried out and completed with presentation of statements by the Auditors to the Sub Executive of NS/NU Command.

All other areas of responsibility will be appropriately reported through NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook, Committee Chairman and members of Executive Council.

Since the February 2021 Executive Council Meeting, and at time of writing, there have been 3 electronic votes documented as follows:

March 10	Permission for entering into loan agreement	Br. 08	Carried
March 12	Permission for entering into loan agreement	Br.78	Carried
March 18	Permission for entering into loan agreement	Br.162	Carried

Respectfully Submitted

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



**Royal Canadian Legion
Cape Breton District - A
NS/NU Command**

Date: MAY 15 /21

To: NS/NU Command

Attention: Executive Council

Subject: Cape Breton District A Reports

Cape breton district a covers zone 1,2and 3.

Comrades, it has been a very trying two years with respect to dealing with covid and all the various restrictive measures to combat the same. Branches have opened and closed a few times in the past two years.

I urge all branches that may be having financial questions and problems to seek advice from your Zone Commanders, who in turn will bring your concerns to the District Commander and then onto NS/NU Command.

All three zones have submitted their reports on time. Due to the Covid restrictions I have not been able to visit many branches in their zone. There have been some problems in a few branches that hopefully will be ironed out when we get back to a normal routine.

As this will be my final report of District Commander, I would like to thank my Zone Commanders, George and John for this hard work and dedication within their Zones. I would also like to thank Lloyd Harris of Zone 1 for stepping up to Zone Commander, although only at it for a few short weeks before further Covid restrictions were imposed he has shown an interest in getting this Zone going.

As most of you know I did not reoffer as District Commander because of work commitments in a small family business that requires a lot of time and long hours.

I have served many years as Zone Commander and then as District Commander. I am very proud of the work of we, as Legion Members, do for both our Veterans, Community and Members.

Most of you know Comrade Clarence Dawe and I wish him the very best in his leadership of District A. Comrade Clarence is very knowledgeable in all aspects of the legion and will be an asset in every respect of his duties.

Lastly, I would like to thank my Deputy Sylvester and 2nd Deputy Jim for their help and advice and also my Secretary/Treasurer Pty for all her hard work in making sure letters and minutes are sent out in a timely manner. Also, to Executive Director Valerie and staff and President Fry-Cook. Thank you all so much for your guidance and knowledge.

Yours in comradeship

Clifford macintyre
Cape breton district A, commander

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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:

CLIFFORD MAC INTYRE

District

A

Date

MAY 15/21

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 18/21

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

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

ZONE1 COMMANDERS ELECTION ON MARCH 25/21 DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION IN APRIL 18/21

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

BECAUSE OF COVID WE ARE SHUT DOWN AGAIN

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.

NONE I AM AWARE OF

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.

SBECAUSE OF COVID WE ARE NOT ABLE TO HOLD DISTRICT MEETINGS OR TRAINING

District Commander's Report

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Name: Lorne MacDoanld

District "B:

Date May 13, 2021

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 6

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

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

Date March 21, 2021

Yes

No

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

Date

Yes Secretary was to send in today.

No

May 17/21

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

Branch 37 regular meeting. Membership Meeting

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. Some had financial issues, otherwise ok.

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. Branch 46 still did not elect new executive, Zone Commander met with them to go over duties and try schedule a meeting but never did.

District "C" Report May 29, 2021

Zone 07 consists of eight Branches: Joggins Br# 04, Amherst Br# 10, River Hebert Br# 14, Springhill Br# 17, Oxford Br# 36, Parrsboro Br# 45, Peace Br# 60 Pugwash and Malagash Br# 97. No Zone Commander.

Zone 10 consists of six Branches: Colchester Br# 26 Truro, Tatamagouche Br# 64, Stewiacke Br# 70, Cobequid Br# 72 Great Village, Shubenacadie Br# 111 and Debert Br# 106. Commander Wilson MacDonald.

Zone 07: Currently all Branches are closed due to an influx of the Covid – 19 virus related cases in the province. Plans for a Zone meeting has again been delayed as Branches still do not want to meet because of Covid. Branches have been asked to try and find a member who would be interested in standing as the Zone 07 Commander.

Zone 10: Commander Wilson MacDonald keeps in touch with his branches by phone, visits and email. Cmdr MacDonald reports that Branches were getting back to normal. The latest changes to our NS Health rules were updated forcing branches to close for at least another month.

District C: There has not been a District meeting since the last Executive Council meeting. Plans for a May meeting had to be changed due to Covid related health rules. Zone 07 is still without a Commander and my contact to branches is by telephone and computer. Zone 10 Commander Wilson MacDonald does a great job for all the Zone 10 branches. He keeps me informed, whether good or bad and is quick to respond to any task put to him.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hoeg

Robert Hoeg,

District "C" Commander

District Commander's Report

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Name:

Peter Townsend

District

D

Date

28 May 2021

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

11 April 2021

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

12 April 2021

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

25 May 2021 Zoom Meeting Branch 08-033 Bridgetown. Command President, Zone 9 Cdr, 4 Exec Members - Financial state and support.

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

None

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.

None.

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.

Most ball Branches are in lockout, in compliance with NS Health Directives until 6 June 2021.

District Commander's Report

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Name:

Don McCumber

District

E

Date

May 10, 2021

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

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

Yes

No

Date

April 29, 2021

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.

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

A presentation was made at our District E meeting on the procedure for using Zoom and the necessity to become familiar with hosting and participating in meetings. This could become the norm for corresponding with our Executives and General Membership.

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.

All Branches are experiencing the fall out from this Covid Crisis. They continue to do their best to keep their Branches operational under the ever changing guidelines of the Nova Scotia Health Dept.

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.

Long Service Pins will be presented on behalf of Provincial Command to those within the holding category, as soon as restrictions are lifted.

Zone 12 and 13 Commanders as well as the Branches within the District gave reports at our April 29th. District E meeting.

These reports will be sent to Command as part of the minutes. The Zoom meeting was recorded and copies sent to the attendees for their records and further distribution to their Executives and membership.

Chester Branch President Agnes Conrad gave a presentation at District on the formation and operation on their Veterans' Outreach Model Building Program for their

District Commander's Report

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Name: Richard Malin

District: F

Date: 27-Feb-21

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

Zone: 15	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Zone: 14	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Zone: _____	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

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.

Senior's Advisory Council Zoom Meeting 28 January Conducted the Grand Parade Ceremony November 11 2020

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.

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.

Due to Covid-19 many questions handled due to ever changing rules from the Province. Zone Commanders doing the same.



Nunavut District G Report
Executive Council Meeting
Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command
Dartmouth, Nova-Scotia

May 2021

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. *It has been incredible the number of national organizations who have been contacting Branch #168 for support.*

Membership:

No new submissions during the closure. *A major decline in the number of membership renewals due to the closure.*

Cadets:

795 Air Cadet Squadron operations once again shut down. Branch #168, is maintaining the operation of the Cadet hall.

Branch 168:

I am pleased to provide you this status report on behalf of Comrade Chris.

Branch #168 is in dire straits as a result of the global pandemic, especially now that Iqaluit has so many positive Covid cases.

While we operated at minimum capacity during the first quarter of the year the customer base has not been coming out. This has resulted in a huge decline in membership renewals.

The forced closure on April 14th has been devastating to say the least. We were unable to jump into Takeout mode as a number of the staff had to remain at home awaiting Covid testing results. We have been fortunate that the Government of Nunavut Health Department has rented the Cadet Hall as a Covid testing station at least until the end of May. Hopefully this revenue stream will help keep us afloat.

Prior to the pandemic this Branch employed over thirty people. As of April 30th there were three employees on staff working minimal hours. A desperate state of affairs indeed.

The April General meeting had to be cancelled on the day that the Government Health Order was issued. We were happy that the Branch did not contribute to the super-spread event that occurred in early April when an individual, went to two local establishments and spread the first Covid-19 in Iqaluit. By virtue of our Club licence we were able to provide the Health department with lists of Members, guests and staff who were on duty on that fateful day. This assisted greatly for contact tracing.

In simple ceremonies at the Branch cenotaph, wreaths were laid on separate occasions to remember Vimy Ridge Day, the death of H.R. H. Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and on May 8th to mark Victory in Europe Day.

John Graham



Nunavut District G Report

May 2021

Branch 169

Branch #169 just like all the other Branches across the country has been impacted by this pandemic. With Government of Nunavut restrictions in place in March, we closed our doors a week prior to the Government of Nunavut's enforcement on closing public establishments because our membership & executive were unsure of the unknowns of Covid-19 and we were receiving mixed feelings from our membership.

Branch #169 continues to Operate with a reduced capacity of 40 people max including staff, our hours of operation were from Wednesday to Saturday from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Due to a recent outbreak of Covid 19 the Branch was shut down again for a period of 2 months,

Yours in Comradeship,

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



Cliff MacIntyre
District A Commander
128 Crescent Street, Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia B1V 2P6
Phone: (902) 304 4270

May 18/21
Executive Council
Liquor and Gaming

Good Day Comrades

As Chairman of the Alcohol and Gaming Committee I have nothing to report other than the disappointment of this Corp. By not allowing a small One Percent (1%) increase in VLT profits.

Branches have been hard hit by Covid and I feel that we have kept things together and moving forward while we took the hit of having to close twice and taking on all extra precautions of keeping the machines safe for all players to use safely.

Thank you to Valerie for the help and all conversation and connections.

Cliff MacIntyre
Chairman

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Appeals Committee Report
May 29, 2021

Comrades,

Because of Covid-19 restrictions there are no Appeal Case to Report at this time.

In Comradeship,

Mel Crowe
Chairman

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Benevolent Committee Report
May 29, 2021

Comrades, since our last report to Executive Council in February our caseload was similar in numbers to the previous report.

The committee deals with cases directly through our Command service Office, as well as through cooperation with other like minded Veterans organization.

It should be noted that any cases brought to the Benevolent Committee are thoroughly investigated prior to any assistance being offered.

Comrades, again I would like to thank the many Branches though out our Command who continue to support our Veterans through their generous donations to the benevolent Fund, especially now during these very trying times.

Comrades, I would like to recognize the tremendous work of our Service Officers and the Command staff, particularly our Executive Director Valerie, for their dedicated service to the Veterans of this Command.

In Comradeship

Mel Crowe

Chairman

Bursaries and Scholarships
NS/NU Executive Council
May 29, 2021

The deadline for the Wales scholarship was May 15th, so selections will be made after that date. The other entries are under review. All winners will be contacted and cheques will be sent to the university, collage or site of higher learning that the students have been accepted in.

Due to lack of information from schools about graduations, branches will receive information about students in their area who have received bursaries and scholarships. If possible and following all government of NS regulations, you may contact the student for a socially distanced presentation.

Yours in Comradeship,

Marion Fryday-Cook
Chair of Bursary and Scholarships
NS/NU Command

Cadet Medal of Excellence Report: May 29/21

All 52 applications have now been reviewed. The certificates have been typed and signed. These along with the medals have now been sent out to the cadet corps and squadrons by the Cadet Support Unit (Atlantic)

The Commanding Officers will contact the Branch Presidents to make arrangements for presentation based on the present Covid guidelines. A directive has been sent to the Commanding Officers (copy attached).

Notification from NS/NU Command has been sent to the Branch Presidents.

The Cadet Support Unit (Atlantic) would like to see some continuity with regards to the cadet medal process. Copies of other Atlantic Provinces' cadet medal procedures are being compiled and forwarded to committee for review.

Thanks to all involved in recognizing the outstanding efforts of members within the cadet organization.

Secretary: Anne MacGregor / NS/NU Command

Committee Member: Comrade Peter Comeau

Cadet Liaison Atlantic Unit: Lt. (N) Ryan Molitor

Respectfully Submitted: Don McCumber Chairman

Cadet Medal of Excellence Report: May 29/21

From: <RYAN.MOLITOR@forces.gc.ca>
Date: Thu, Apr 29, 2021 at 10:00 AM
Subject: Cadet Corps / Squadron Annual Ceremonial Review Direction - Royal Canadian Legion Medal of Excellence
To: <dmccumber67@gmail.com>
Cc: <Valerie.Wojdylak@forces.gc.ca>

Sir,

... the Annual Ceremonial Reviews (ACRs) will be virtual except in rare exceptions.

.... Direction to C/S COs will be to contact the local Legion to organise presentation.

Presentation will occur in accordance with NS Public Health Guidance. This would mean that if the presentation was to occur before 20 May 21, it would be a virtual presentation to respect the current circuit-breaker lockdown which is occurring in the province. After that date, if PHMs allow, an in-person presentation could be arranged to include the cadet, the CO (or representative) and a member of the Legion.

The CO of the C/S may choose to not do an in-person presentation even if Public Health Guidance allows for it, but they will be directed to ensure a virtual presentation occurs.

I know this was not exactly the direction which was hoped for, but given the times, it is a good course of action to respect the safety and well-being of all involved.....

Lt(N) | Ltv Ryan Molitor

Zone Training Officer (Debert), Regional Cadet Support Unit (Atlantic / Nova Scotia Area)
Canadian Armed Forces / Forces armées canadiennes

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command

Constitution and Bylaw Report

May 29, 2021

Committee members:

Comrade Donna McRury	Chairman
Comrade Marion Fryday-Cook	NS/NU Command President
Comrade Mervin Steadman	Member
Comrade Steve Wessel	Member
Comrade Jane Scott	Secretary

Good morning Comrades:

The Constitution and Bylaw Committee met April 30, 2021, to discuss the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to the Auditors concern to NS/NU Command Bylaw 815. Our next meeting is slated for May 31st to review Branch bylaw amendments, Command Chaplain position, Convention Chaplain, updates to Elsie Jean Lambert Scholarship in the Policy Book as well as the Policy Section II Administration 9. Our committee will continue reviewing the Terms of References for the Districts to be placed back in the Policy manual.

I would like to thank all committee members for their time and dedication .

Existing:

<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed Change/Amendment</u>
<u>815 A.</u> The Command will limit its expenditures not to exceed revenues and take whatever corrective action is required to achieve a balanced budget	<u>815</u> With the objective and intention of continued support to Members and Stakeholders over the long term, Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command, as a Not For Profit Organization, will practice prudent financial management in a manner consistent with guidance issued by Canada Revenue Agency.

Existing

Proposed Change/Amendment

815 B.

The Benevolent Fund, with its charitable status and unpredictable revenues and expenditures on a year-to-year basis, will be considered exempt from Article 815.A.

Remove.

In Comradeship,

Ms. Donna McRury

Constitution and Bylaw

Chairman

**Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Representative
National Defence and Security Committee**

Greetings Comrades

At this time Dominion Command's Chairmen for the Defence and Security Committee is new to the position. Once she has settled into the position we are told she will be reaching out to each Command Representative for a meeting in the Fall of 2021

Respectfully Submitted

Comrade George DellaValle

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee
May 2021

Comrade Donna McRury- Chairman

Comrade Marion Fryday-Cook- NS/NU Command President

Comrade Mervin Steadman- Member

Comrade Cliff Lauren- Member

Comrade Jane Scott- Secretary

Good morning Comrades,

The Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee continue to meet on a regularly via Zoom. Since our last council meeting the committee has met on March 27,2021. The committee will meet again May 22,2021.

The committee also reviewed the Holding Branch awards to make sure that those Comrades entitled to receive awards have been addressed. The following awards have been given to the District Commanders to present to the members in the Holding Branch when they feel it is safe to do so. Awarded was as follows: 25, 35 (2), 40 (2) Year pin as well as a 55-year Bar and pin.

I want to thank the committee for their time, dedication, and comradeship as we move forward with presenting the members with the awards, also to our secretary Comrade Jane for your knowledge, patience, and dedication.

Thank you.

Results of the Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee for March 2021:

Award	Provincial		Dominion	
	Approved	Not Approved	Approved	Not Approved
Life Membership	5	5	-	-
MSM/ MSA	-	-	-	-
Palm Leaf to MSM/ MSA	-	1	-	-
Total	5	6	-	-

Respectfully submitted:

Ms. Donna McRury

Ms. Donna McRury

Chairman

Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee

Leadership and Development Committee

The Leadership and Development Committee consists of myself and Comrades James Leadbeater and Peter Townsend.

The Committee's Terms of Reference are to "provide or assist Districts/Zones in doing training sessions as requested". Training provided by the Command Service Bureau does not fall within the scope of the Committee nor do presentations provided by Command Committee chairmen, unless our support is requested.

During the 2019-2021 term of the Committee, only one request was received and that was to provide travel expenses for the Command Poppy Chairman to address a district meeting in Oct 2019. Zones and districts conducted training using their own resources and apparently are satisfied with the results.

While, there were no direct requests for assistance, there were suggestions of topics that the Committee could address but nothing more definitive. Therefore, the Committee began investigating what documents are available for adapting and what software is available for producing online presentations. All software used to date has been open source so no funds have been expended.

The online resources of other commands and Dominion were explored and some documents were found that could be changed to meet our Command's needs. When possible, the documents were sent to the appropriate Command committee chairman for evaluation with an offer to assist in editing.

A recommendation was made to Command Council in February 2021 that the terms of reference for the Committee should be reviewed. Amended terms were submitted as part of the Policy and Procedures Manual update. The proposed terms included a name change to Training and Development to better reflect the purpose of the Committee and to include preparing packages for use in the Command.

Glen Leduc
Chairman

Leadership Training Camp

The Leadership Training Camp Committee is a sub-committee of Youth Leadership & Development. The Committee consists of myself as chairman and Comrades Mel Steadman and Wilson MacDonald.

The Committee is responsible for conducting an annual Leadership Training Camp as per the Policy book.

No Committee meetings were held in the 2019-2021 term.

The Leadership Training Camp was last conducted in June 2017 with 43 of the 60 vacancies filled. Although the Camp was planned for 2018 and 2019, it was not conducted due to liability concerns. Nothing was arranged for 2020 when the Pandemic curtailed all activities in that year and now into 2021.

As the instructor base for the Camp no longer exists, it will take three years to arrange, promote and conduct the next Camp. Therefore, in my report to Command Council in February 2021 advised that I did not believe that it is practical or feasible to conduct an annual Youth Leadership Training Camp in the manner that Training Camps have been held in the past. I further recommended that no action be taken to reconstitute Youth Leadership Training Camps and that the Leadership Training Camp be deleted from the Youth Leadership and Development Committee. Neither recommendation was accepted.

Glen Leduc
Chairman

NS/NU Command's Correspondents report

For May 2021 Executive Council Meeting

Since the last report , there has not being much activity with only 9 submissions to the Magazine Those sent in were Photos of MSM recipients , Legionnaire of the Year , Donations , and Names of Life Members and a Veteran celebrating his 100th Birthday . One photo was rejected because it did not meet the criteria of the Magazine

There was also a story sent in about the Cenotaph at Arras Branch .and a story about 101 year old Veteran from Yarmouth

Covid certainly has changed the business of the Legion in regard to recognizing their achievements and their members in the Legion Magazine .

Hopefully by Fall we will be somewhat normal and all vaccinated and looking forward to Comradeship at the upcoming Provincial Convention

Please continue to take pictures of your Members / Branches achievements .

Respectfully submitted

Rita Connors

NS/NU Command Correspondent

icture that was rejected by Magazine

President Mabel McCarthy along with Deputy 15
ZC Tom McCormack present Rita Harroun with a
certificate of "Honourary Sgt @Arms " for Branch
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Membership Report May ,2021

- Currently our Command is at 14,383 members or 81% of your 2020 year-end total (this is slightly ahead of the National average of 79%)
- Your current membership is down 6.9% or 1,070 members compared to this time last year (you had 15,453 members at this time last year)
- You currently have 882 new members for the year down 10% from the 981 new members you had at this time last year
- Renewals are at 76.1% slightly better than the National Average of 74.1%
- You currently have 39.3% of all active email addresses vs a National average of 46.7%

Dominion Website Update May 17,2021

For 2021• To date we have processed 196,803 memberships (79% of last year's total). Membership is currently down 10.5% or 23,000 members year over year.

- We have processed 1,131 deceased members compared to 1,017 this time last year.

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- RENEWING MEMBERS:

- 2021 Renewals are 74.0% vs 78.3% at this time last year.

- Since Feb 22nd 2,250 members have renewed for 5-years to receive a Legion watch.

- 8.3% of active members have signed up for auto renew
- 16,650 members have registered for the MemberPerks program (8.5% of all active members)....up 3,000 in the last couple of weeks thanks to a direct marketing email encouraging members to register for the free benefit..
- Direct Mail Piece will be mailed to approx. 55,000 non-renewed members starting the end of the month.

- NEW MEMBERS:

- We have processed 11,543 new members (including 1,088 free Veterans Welcome Program) down 33% to the same time last year
- 39% of the expiring Veteran Welcome members have already renewed and paid for their 2021 membership

AUTOMATED TELEMARKETING TEST CAMPAING

- Our Automated Telemarketing Test Campaign began late last week at a rate of 125-150 outbound calls per hour.
- 1,854 calls were attempted the first 2 days
- Of calls connected 14% transferred to speak to one of our staff members
- On 28% of calls contacted a message was left
- 6% of the calls asked to be taken off the calling list.
- 13% of our phone numbers were invalid
- In the first 2 days we can confirm 98 member renewals were completed by our member services staff

Lorne MacDonald

Membership Chairman

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command

Personnel Committee

May 29, 2021

Donna McRury- Chairman

Marion Fryday- Cook- NS/NU Command President

Mervin Steadman- Member

Conrad Gilbert- Member

Valerie Mitchell- Veinotte- Secretary

Good morning Comrades,

Command staff continue to work in office while paying attention to the restrictions due to COVID. If issues pertaining to the personnel of Nova Scotia Nunavut Command arise, as per policy, they will be dealt with by the Executive Director and/or as appropriate by Comrade President Marion Fryday-Cook.

Respectfully submitted,

In comradeship,

Ms. Donna McRury

Personnel Committee Chairman

Poppy/Remembrance Report

March-May 29, 2021

Since my last report I have been invited to attend a Dominion Poppy/Remembrance zoom meeting to be held on June 22,2021.

If you have any agenda items that you may wish me to bring forward, the deadline is June 14,2021.

Special use applications continue to be submitted to Command office and acted upon.

Follow up on Branch Year End Poppy Reports is ongoing .

A workshop will be held at our Provincial Convention dealing with the Poppy Trust Fund and the development of a power point presentation is underway.

Don McCumber/ Chairman

Poppy@Remembrance Committee

PRO Report
Executive Council May 29, 2021

I attended a Dominion Command PRO meeting on April 1st. Each command across the country sends a representative to talk about events that are going on across this country. Many Facebook, social media newspaper articles and television spots are discussed. The national PRO committee continues to submit a public relations report monthly and those are distributed through the executive director of Nova Scotia/Nunavut command to all of the Executive Council and the Zone Commanders. I hope that you take the time to look through some of the information being distributed across the country. It might give you some ideas on how get the good word out about the Royal Canadian Legion.

I see many Facebook posts from branches across this command who are posting events, commemorations, and other important information to keep their members and the community informed. With the changes in the NS Health Authority restrictions on a weekly or even a daily basis, I thank you for all your hard work.

if you have any articles or any information that you would like submitted to the legion magazine please submit that information to rita.connors@ns.sympatico.ca

Respectfully submitted
Marion Fryday-Cook
PRO Chairman
NS/NU Command

Chair Grand Parade Report to Executive Council 27 February 2021

Organized the Grand Parade Remembrance Ceremony at the Grand Parade with the assistance of Zone 15 Commander Glen Leduc who was Master of Ceremonies. Due to the pandemic there was no parade and the wreath laying was not as in past years as only a designated Dignitaries could be invited due to the gathering limitation rules. The Military were not able to support us as they had in the past but they did what they could. HRM were a great help and having the Police presence and making parking available on the streets adjacent to the Grand Parade. HRM Parks disposed of the wreaths for us which was a great help. All in all it was a short but meaningful Ceremony. I thank Glen Leduc's wife Yvonne for her assistance and President Marion who had to load 20 or so chairs from her branch and transport to the Grand Parade. I also thank Command staff for their assistance as well as Jane Scot's son who also assisted at the parade which aided us setting up.

Richard Malin

District F Commander

Chair Grand Parade

SPORT REPORT

May 29, 2021

As reported in previous sport report Information received from the minutes of the Dominion Command Sport meeting held on September 29, 2020 indicated that all Legion member sports for 2021 would be cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Once the information from Dominion Command was received an **All Branch** mail out was sent from NS/NU Command advising that there would **be no 2021 NS/NU Command Provincial Legion** member sport playdowns.

Further to Member sports being cancelled for 2021 it was decided at the 19 February 2021 Dominion sport meeting that the 2021 Dominion Track / Field Nationals be cancelled.

New dates and locations for the 2022 -2025 Track/Field Nationals were made available from Dominion Command following the February 18, 2021 sport meeting.

2022: Sherbrooke, QC, 3-9 August 2022.

2023 Sherbrooke, QC, 9-19 August 2023.

2024: Calgary, AB, 7-13 August 2024.

2025: Calgary, AB, 6-12 August 2025.

Dates for Member Sport Nationals 2022 have also been released by Dominion Command and the 2023 location for Dominion Eight Ball.

Cribbage: 22-25 April 2022, Br# 015 Men of Vision, Cochrane, AB.

Darts: 29 April – 02 May 2022, Br# 004 Chillawack, BC.

Eight Ball: 27-30 May 2020, Br# 104 Innisfail, AB.

Eight Ball: **27-30 May 2023**, Br# 051, Happy Valley, Goose Bay, NL.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Hoeg NS/NU Command Sport Chair

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

Veteran Outreach Committee

George DellaValle	Chairman
Don McCumber	Member
Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte	Member

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. Over the past 2 years, some of our Veterans Outreach Program initiatives have sat dormant for short periods of time due to the pandemic. While others have come to the forefront for in-person meetings and are thriving, we also have started doing virtual corresponding such as the Veterans Coffee Break.

Paws Fur Thought : Paws Fur Thought is in the very preliminary stage of preparing for the creation to be a stand alone charitable organization or to be absorbed into the Wounded Warriors Program. Nova Scotia /Nunavut Command will still help with this program with guidance, but we will be no longer responsible for their accounting and funding. Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command will still have a representative on Paws Fur Thought for the foreseeable future.

Heroes Mending on the Fly : Financially supported by NS/NU Command, their budget was sent in, reviewed and approved by the committee. Mending on the Fly, a fly- tying program run by NS representative Ray McEachern, gather regularly in the areas of eastern passage and Windsor. They managed to carry off their annual fishing trip to the Margaree area in August 2020, with both groups from the Valley and HRM attending. This came with lots of challenges over the past few months, with very limiting COVID restrictions and hot/dry weather

creating low water levels preventing any salmon fishing. However, with the expert advice/assistance from their guide, they switched focus to fishing the salt chuck for stripers. In addition, many Bass were caught and released by the group. The trip was a huge success with camaraderie high in true "Mending on the Fly" spirit.

The Veteran Farm Project : The Veterans Farm Project is going strongly and expect to expand again this spring. The name of the farm is Sweet Squish Farms and is located in Sweets Corner, Hants County and is run by its founder Jessica Miller. Starting in June and every week forward, the Veterans Farm Project will deliver food boxes to the Command Office for distribution to Veterans and their families facing food insecurity. The farm is a space for woman Veterans to heal, be nurtured and engage in something positive. About a dozen woman currently come out to help, socialize and relax on the farm throughout the week . There are also activities they can partake in, like Yoga, baking, archery and other workshops. The Veterans working on the farm have benefited greatly and the recipients are most grateful to receive this nutritious bounty. They pick vegetables every Wednesday, which are then packaged and delivered to the Command Office. NS/NU Command provided the Veterans Farm Project with funding to cover of operation such as tools and seeds. Last fall they wrapped up another highly successful season with the delivery of Thanksgiving boxes to all participants in early October. This year the Thanksgiving project will expand to Cape Breton and the weekly boxes will include chicken and eggs. Through a donation from a once homeless Veteran assisted by our Benevolent Fund Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command purchased a freezer so that later in the harvest season preserved vegetables can be safely stored waiting for delivery by Command staff and Branch volunteers and pick up by recipients who are able to do so.

Operation Vet Build : OP Vet Build now has three locations at Legion Branches across Nova Scotia, Dominion Br 78, Inverness Br 132 and Chester Br 44. We are looking to start up an Operation Vet Build pprogram in HRM. Inquiries have been received for Antigonish, Truro and Bridgewater areas. The OSI Special Section based Operation Vet Build took the summer off and started again the first Tuesday in October. Inverness based Op Vet Build is fund raising and has the support of the community and we expect more members to join over the long winter. The Chester Based OP Vet Build had their first night on

Jan 18 with 7 new members attending. They are doing really well. A big shout out goes to Agnes Conrad for starting this program in the Chester area and Mary Ellen Godin in the Inverness area. Last year we were able to get some donations from various Branches through the Poppy Trust Funds and, through private donors, we were able to raise a total of \$ 9075.00 for this Veterans Outreach Programs. We are looking to expand as I have gotten 3 inquiries about the program over the summer and should see 15 - 20 members attend on a weekly basis.

The Cape Breton based Buddy Check/Coffee Break : Still meets once a month for a coffee and talk at different Tim Horton's locations across the Sydney and local areas, as well as the OP Vet Build Coffee is each Tuesday from 7 pm - 9 pm at the Dominion Legion. Wedgeport Legion, Branch 155, Zone 12 and Bridgewater Branch 24 have weekly and monthly coffee group meeting. New members are always welcome.

The OSISS Family Program: Started as a mini retreat in previous years, due to the pandemic in 2020 and 2021, the program has turned to offering group programming via video conferencing. This route has proven highly successful as this support can be even more far reaching to families within our Command with programming from resources from around the globe. Given the current health concerns and challenges, bringing everyone together in this way has proven to be a silver lining in this Covid cloud.

Veterans Painting Class's : The PTSD Painting Therapy Program in Sydney is on hold due to the pandemic. A new space is being renovated. We are looking to start up again in the fall of 2021, with a Veterans and Spouse painting class. Plans are underway to expand this program into the Valley and South Shore areas.

Veterans Yoga for Trauma: This is a new initiative started this spring, created by a veteran in the Halifax area. His request was financial aid for the purchase of Yoga mats.

Comrades, Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command's Veterans Outreach Program continues to remain fully committed to all of our evolving programs and initiatives developed to assist our ill, injured, retired and serving Veterans and their families. They help their quality of life and help in overcoming the barriers faced as a result of their service. These programs also provide vital relevancy of the Royal Canadian Legion with our Veterans. In order to keep moving forward, this Command needs the assistance of our

branches in stepping forward to assist in these initiatives through branch Poppy Fund donations and to call upon NS/NU Command Branches to initiate these and other worthy outreach programs at the local level. The Committee is here to help in anyway.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge District E Commander, Comrade Don McCumber, our Executive Director, Comrade Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte, and to thank them both for their dedication and devotion towards the advancement of our Veterans Outreach Programs.

Respectfully Submitted

George Della Valle

VO Chairman

Veterans Services & Seniors Report for Executive Council ^{May 20} ~~September~~ 2021

Committee Members –Richard Malin –Chair, Ken George S. O. – Secretary –Staff Member.

Attended one meeting at the Radison and the monthly Zoom Meeting

Richard Malin

Chair

Veterans Services & Seniors

Ad hoc committee
Government grant on Food Insecurities
Executive Council
May 29, 2021

On April 19, 2021 the Executive Council approved the formation of an ad hoc committee to review the information submitted by branches , District or Zone Commanders regarding branches that host foodbank, community wheels or Meals on wheels in their communities. The information was reviewed and approved to spend the \$25,000 grant from the NS government. Branches 16, 32, and 162 received funding as well as The Veterans Farm Project. All of the funding was in accordance with the regulations set down by the government. Thank you to Comrade Valerie for all her hard work and dedication to this endeavor.

Respectfully Submitted

Marion Fryday-Cook
Chair Ad hoc committee
Food Insecurities
NS/NU Command

STANDARDIZED BY-LAWS FOR BRANCHES
AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORT
TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 29 MAY 2021

Comrades, as some of you are aware, this ad-hoc committee was created during Comrade Crowe's term as Command President. The past committee experienced several insurmountable challenges – mostly due to communication and scheduling inadequacies, and as a result, the committee was dissolved in approximately February of 2019 and there was no report or resolution presented during our 2019 Command convention in Windsor.

Comrade President Fryday-Cook understood the importance of bringing unity to all by-laws, to ensure that branch by-laws are **clear, consistent and not in contradiction** with NS/NU Command By-laws or the General By-laws of The R.C.L. To that end, she re-instituted the standardized branch by-law ad-hoc committee and requested that a full report and accompanying resolution be presented to the delegates at our 2021 Command convention in Truro.

In my February 2021 report, I informed Council of the following, *“...in coordination with the Bylaws Chairman, ..., it has been decided that the final report noted for presentation at this meeting, will now be presented to Executive Council in May 2021 for debate and acceptance by Council, and that these standardized bylaws will then be included as a part of the Constitution and Bylaws report to be presented to convention in October 2021. Therefore, a separate resolution on this item will not be required.”*

Comrades, upon further reflection and continued consultation with the Command President and the Command By-Laws Chair, we are in agreement that the standardized branch by-laws package will now be presented to convention as a **stand alone report without an accompanying resolution**. The presentation, debate and acceptance of the report and the proposed by-laws will be considered as acceptance of the standardized branch by-laws concept.

Please read the attached standardized by-laws package and carefully consider the positive organizational and financial advantages of their adoption. I will be available during your Council meeting for this presentation and look forward to answering any and all of your questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Wessel, Ad-Hoc Committee Chairman

ANNEX A

Title Page: As Amended

(enter Date)

(Choose a Branch)

201. The Branch shall be known and identified as Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

(Choose a Branch)

403. A Voting member (Select one)

required to have served a term of office on the Branch Executive Committee to be eligible to be elected President.

404. A Voting member (Select one)

required to have served a term of office on the Branch Executive Committee to be eligible to be elected Vice President.

408. The term of Office shall be for (Select One)

501. The Senior Elected Officers shall consist of the President, Immediate Past President and

(select # of Vice Presidents)

Vice-President(s), Secretary and Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer.

502. The offices of Branch Service Officer, Chaplain and Sergeant-at-Arms shall be declared as

(Select one)

503. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Senior Elected Officers and

(Select one)

Executive Committee Members who shall be declared as

(Select one)

507. The monthly meeting of the Executive Committee shall be held on the

(Select one)

(Select one)

of the month, or a day at the call of the President.

601. (1) The following minimum mandatory Standing Committee Chairmen shall be

(Select one)

If by appointment, and subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, the President shall present the names for approval at the first Meeting of the Branch for the new term:

- i. Leadership Development;
 - ii. Membership;
 - iii. Poppy/Veterans Services;
 - iv. Public Relations;
 - v. Sports.
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702. The Branch shall hold a Meeting of the Branch on

(Select a Number)

(Select a Day)

Choose All that Apply

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703. Annual General Meeting shall be on the

(Select a Number)

(Select a Day)

Choose One

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705. The quorum for a Meeting of the Branch shall be

(Click here to enter a number)

801. The Branch shall hold their Branch elections on the

(Select a Number)

(Select a Day)

Choose One

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802. (2) A list of all nominees established in advance of the date of elections shall be available for the information and use of the Branch at least

(Select a number)

week(s) prior to the date of elections.

1003. The Branch Signing Officers for all accounts including Poppy Trust Fund Accounts shall be:

(Enter Title)

(Enter Title)

(Enter Title)

(Enter Title)

(Enter Title)

(Enter Title)

1005. All expenditures, other than normal operating or emergency expenses, in excess of

(enter Dollar Amount)

must be approved at a Meeting of the Branch prior to any commitment for such expenditure being made by the Executive Committee.

(Choose a Branch)

By-Laws Annex A were presented and approved at the Meeting of the Branch dated

(Enter Date)

Secretary:

Date:

President:

Date:

Zone or District Commander

Date:

Command By-Laws Chairman

Date:

Ad Hoc Committee – Branch Financial Assistance

This committee was formed by the Command President to give advice on the use of approximately \$85,000.00 available for branch assistance.

These funds are intended for branches which are in real need of funds to stay afloat for the next 6 months. Approval will be based on financial need and branches were to apply through the chain of command by Apr 6th, 2021.

In the process of determining what branches would get funds we took 16 of the total 33 branches applying that had a total of accounts of \$25,000.00 or less.

The recommended list of branches to receive funds has been forwarded to the NS/NU Command President who then had it forwarded to Dominion Command. Dominion has indicated that the funds will be disbursed by the end of May 2021.

The Committee consisted of Comrades Glen Leduc, Don McCumber, Thom Young and myself. All decisions were unanimous through many Zoom Meetings and emails.

I want to thank my committee members for their dedication and hard work in giving these funds to deserving branches in financial need.

In Comradeship,

Conrad Gilbert

Chairman Ad Hoc Committee