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Date: October 13, 2020

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

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

Subject: Executive Council Meeting Minutes,
September 19, 2020

Message: Comrades: On behalf of NS/NU Chairman
Karen Lynch please find attached minutes of
Executive Council Meeting September 19,
2020

**The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2020**

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

Present for Report:

Stephen Tedford	Service Officer NS/NU Command
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Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Immediate Past President Mel Crowe assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at approximately 10:05 am.

1. Opening Ritual

1st Vice President Donna McRury conducted the Opening Ritual.

2. Procedures

NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Mel Crowe reviewed the meeting procedures. Four items were added to the agenda:

- Sport 2021
- Liquor and Gaming Report
- Vote for Permission for Branch 053 to enter into a loan agreement
- Additional Information to Constitution and Law Report and Ritual Award and Protocol Report.

3. Service Officer's Report

NS/NU Command Service Officer Stephen Tedford referred the meeting to submitted report. He added information on the Legion Approved Model of Service Delivery which outlines that Branch Service Officers are referral agents for Command Service Officers and that Branch Service Officers must not submit applications to Veterans Affairs. He encouraged the District Commanders to take this information back to their Zones and Districts.

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch assumed the Chair.

4. Minutes of Executive Council Meeting 05/23/20

M - 1

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre.

That the Minutes of Executive Council Meeting 05/23/2020 be adopted as presented.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

5. Business Arising from the Minutes of Executive Council Meeting 05/23/2020

NS/NU Command 1st Vice President Donna McRury clarified that a District Commander is permitted to wear the District Commander pin on his/her lapel once the District Commander has been sworn in. The Years of Service pin must then be removed.

6. President's Remarks and Report

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook referred the meeting to submitted report adding that she recently attended the Honours and Awards evening at Branch 162 Lower Sackville and at Branch 038 Mersey where she presented three Palm Leaf Awards. She also visited Arras Branch 059 and Chedabucto Branch 046.

M - 2

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade Robert Hoeg.

That the President's Report be accepted.

13 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 - 3

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

That the D.E.C Report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

8. Finance and Building Committee Report

NS/NU Command Finance and Building Committee Chairman Donna McRury referred the meeting to submitted report adding that since the report was written the Committee has approved the purchase of a chair for one of the Command Service Officers and a Google Chromebook for the Executive Director. There will also be a security service call out fee for which an invoice is yet to be received. There is an open claim with P.I.B Insurance for damage to the Command flagpoles caused by a falling storage POD from the neighbouring business. The cost of repair is not yet known.

There are two adjustments to be made to the budget. Line 5360 - the Finance Committee budgeted \$4500 for electricity; this amount was not carried over to the new spreadsheet (this was an error.) Line 5370 – the budgeted amount for insurance was based on last year’s totals. The quote for this year’s insurance has been received which reflects as increase in cost due to a yearly increase and two claims. Three different options for renewal were presented.

M - 4

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Crowe.

That the recommendation of the NS/NU Command Finance and Building Committee to retain the option of \$1000 insurance policy deductible for a total cost of insurance coverage of \$7062 be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

M - 5

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the Finance and Building Committee Report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
0 Abstention

9. Treasurer's Report

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert reported that there are 3 Branches remaining with outstanding Branch Monthly Financial Reports for 2019. He emphasized the importance of Branches following the correct process when submitting reports.

M - 6

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre.

That the Treasurer's be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

10. Correspondence

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte read two items of correspondence to the meeting. One item was from the Nova Scotia Co-ordinator of Heroes Mending on the Fly, Ray McEachern and the other from the President of the RCMP Veterans Association. NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Michell-Veinotte will discuss with the NS/NU Command Veterans Outreach Committee Chairman George Dellavalle ways to inform our members of the Veteran's Outreach programmes which are currently running.

11. Executive Director's Report

NS/NU Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte referred the meeting to submitted report adding that as of September 18, 2020, 85 Branch Poppy Campaign Orders have been received, with 17 outstanding. The Command Office is also preparing for the ALL Member mail out and asked that if anyone has any concerns or questions regarding that mailing to please ask the Command Office.

M - 7

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

That the Executive Director's report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

12. Electronic Voting

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte, for the record, advised the meeting of Electronic voting carried out since Executive Council Meeting of May 23, 2020.

Permission for the following Branches to enter into loan agreements under the Canadian Emergency Business Account:

Branch 023, Lunenburg	Carried
Branch 031, Somme	Carried
Branch 037, Cambrai	Carried
Branch 038, Mersey	Carried
Branch 048, Elmsdale	Carried
Branch 062, Louisbourg	Carried
Branch 124, Grandona	Carried
Branch 129, White Ensign	Carried
Branch 138, Ashby	Carried
Branch 144, Harding	Carried
Branch 152, Earl Francis Spryfield Memorial	Carried
Branch 161, Eastern Marine	Carried

Permission for Branch 112 to enter a Nova Scotia Small Business Loan Carried

That NS/NU Command combine the positions of Clerk/Bookkeeper Carried

To reinvest original amount of GIC 1DHXDG Carried

To invest funds designated for National Convention Carried

13. District Reports

District A

NS/NU Command District A Commander Cliff MacIntyre advised the meeting of no report.

District B

NS/NU Command District B Commander Lorne MacDonald referred the meeting to submitted report adding that he recently attended a meeting along with NS/NU Command President and NS/NU Command First Vice President at Branch 046 Chedabucto to assist with their By-Laws.

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 adding that both himself and Zone 9 Commander Kenneth Ilnitski will start to visit Branches that have reopened since the pandemic on Monday September 22, 2020.

District E

NS/NU Command District E Commander Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report adding that a District E Meeting will be taking place via Zoom on Monday September 22, 2020. He also added that some Branches within District E have approached their Municipalities and have been able to secure some funding from them. Moving forward he will ensure that District E Meeting minutes will be sent to NS/NU Command.

District F

NS/NU Command District F Commander Richard Malin referred the meeting to submitted report adding that he received no report from Zone 14, and that Grand Parade will be in a much shorter format this year due to the Covid-19 regulations.

District G

NS/NU Command District G Deputy Commander Cliff Laurin referred the meeting to submitted report adding that there have been no General Meetings at Branch 168 and Branch 169 since March, but these will be resuming as of next week.

M - 8

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Malin.

That the District Reports be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

14. Committee Reports

Appeals

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

M - 9

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade Malin.

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 adding that if Branches can see their way clear to making donations to the Benevolent Fund it would be very much appreciated.

M - 10

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Bursary and Scholarship

NS/NU Command Bursary and Scholarship Committee Chairman Marion Fryday-Cook referred the meeting to submitted report adding that every recipient this year was either the child or the grandchild of a Veteran.

M - 11

Moved by Comrade Fryday-Cook, seconded by Comrade Cliff MacIntyre.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Cadet Medal of Excellence

NS/NU Command Cadet Medal of Excellence Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report adding that the Cadet medals awarded in 2020 are still being held at the Command Office. The Brigadier General for the Cadet Organisation in Ottawa has sent out a memorandum to the Cadet corps and squadrons that they cannot have any volunteers, dignitaries or families coming into contact with cadets. With this in mind it was suggested to us, through our Cadet Liaison Officer, that we send the medals directly to them for distribution and presentation to the cadets and that they will then forward any photos taken to the Legion Branch. NS/NU Command Cadet Medal of Excellence Committee Chairman Don McCumber has asked our Cadet Liaison Officer if at all possible, could it be arranged for a Legionnaire to present the medal as it is a Legion Medal. No response has been received yet.

M - 12

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Constitution and By-Laws Report

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

Existing:	Proposed Change/ Amendment
<u>Article VII – Item 704A Committees</u>	<u>Article V11 – Item 704A Committees</u>
<u>Standing Committees of the Command shall be:</u>	<u>Standing Committees of the Command shall be:</u>
Appeals, Bursary, Constitution & By-Laws, Finance & Building, Sports, Public Relations, Membership, Poppy, Complaints, Liquor & Gaming Act, Honours and Awards, Youth, Leadership & Development, Veterans Services, Seniors & Legislation, Personnel Committee, Veterans Outreach, Grand Parade.	Appeals, Bursary, Constitution & By-Laws, Finance & Building, Sports, Public Relations, Membership, Poppy, Complaints, Alcohol and Gaming , Honours and Awards, Youth, Leadership & Development, Veterans Services, Seniors & Legislation, Personnel Committee, Veterans Outreach, Grand Parade.

M - 13

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Steadman

That the proposed change/amendment to Article VII – Item 704A Committees be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Existing	Proposed Change/Amendment
<u>Article 1006</u>	<u>Article 1006</u>
Branches shall furnish the Executive Director with a copy of all proposed amendments to the Branch By-Laws within ten days of the passing thereof.	Branches shall furnish the Executive Director with a copy of all proposed amendments to the Branch By-Laws within forty-five days of the passing thereof.

M - 14

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Fryday-Cook

That the proposed change/amendment to Article 1006 be accepted

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Since the Executive Council meeting May 23, 2020, the Committee has approved 45 amendments and 13 have not been approved. All Branches have been notified of the results. NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook and NS/NU Constitution and By-Law Chairman Donna McRury will meet with Branch 009 to discuss their By-Laws.

M - 15

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Complaints

No report submitted.

NS/NU Command Complaints Committee Chairman Mervin Steadman verbally reported that all Article 3 complaints are currently in abeyance until further notice is received from Dominion Command.

M - 16

Moved by Comrade Steadman, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Defence and Security Representative Report

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

M - 17

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade McRury that the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Leadership Development

No report submitted.

Leadership Training Camp

No report submitted.

Legion Magazine

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

M - 18

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Membership

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

M - 19

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Personnel

NS/NU Command Personnel Committee Chairman Donna McRury referred the meeting to submitted report.

M - 20

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Poppy and Remembrance

NS/NU Poppy and Remembrance Committee Chairman Don McCumber referred the meeting to submitted report. He added that he had informed Command of some concerns from Branches over the 10 percent ptf assessment for 2020 campaign. He outlined the importance of informing the Branches of the services that are supported by these funds and reminding the Branches that the annual assessment is actually based on the previous years campaign so that the assessment due in 2020 will be based on the 2019 campaign.

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

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 submitted report adding that she will be working with NS/NU Command Grand Parade Committee on informing the public of the plans for this year's ceremony.

M - 21

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

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 reported on Grand Parade under his District F report.

M - 22

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

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Ritual, Awards and Protocol

NS/NU Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee Chairman Donna McRury referred the meeting to submitted report. She thanked the District and Zone Commanders for their assistance with the presentation of Holding Branch Awards and informed the meeting that two of the awards were returned to the Command Office as the recipients have passed away.

M - 23

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Crowe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Resolutions

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

M - 24

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Standardized Branch By-Laws

NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch referred the meeting to the report submitted by NS/NU Standardized Branch By-Laws Adhoc Committee Chairman Steve Wessel.

M -25

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade McRury.

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 Veterans Outreach Committee Chairman George Dellavalle.

M - 26

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Crowe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans Service Recognition Book

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

M - 27

Moved by Comrade Crowe, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

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 reported verbally that he has taken part in a couple of Group of IX Zoom meetings.

M - 28

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

That the report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

15. Scheduled Business/New Business

Legion Capital Assistance Program

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte reported verbally to the meeting that 16 Branches applied for the 2020 Legion Capital Assistance Program. They applied for a total of \$118,600 in grants. The full \$100,000 in the Legion Capital Assistance program was awarded and all of the Branches have been notified. Every Branch that applied received a portion of what they applied for, some received 100%. The projects will all take place in 2021.

M - 29

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade MacDonald.

That the report be accepted.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Convention 2021

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook outlined that a decision was required on whether to hold a 2021 Convention or to postpone until 2022. Under current Covid-19 regulations the host Branch, Colchester Branch 026 has informed the NS/NU Convention Committee that they are able to accommodate 65 people upstairs and 45 downstairs. They feel that the restrictions required will prohibit them from making any profit. NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook asked for discussion and input. NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte provided the meeting with the following numbers for Convention: Potential for 305 delegates (by By-Law), 4 guests and 2 members of staff. In 2019 there were 163 delegates, 14 observers with a total of 184 in attendance.

M - 30

Moved by Comrade Hoeg, seconded by Comrade MacDonald.

That NS/NU Command Convention is held in the year 2021.

12 Affirmative
0 Abstention
1 Opposed
(Fryday-Cook)
Motion Carried

2020 Remembrance Day Ceremonies

NS/NU Presented Marion Fryday-Cook informed the meeting that directives have been issued from Dominion Command regarding Legion conducted Remembrance ceremonies.

Rafflebox

NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook explained that Rafflebox provides a platform for non-profits to create and manage online raffles and 50/50 fundraisers. Lunenburg Branch 023 is participating in this along with 7 other Branches looking to join them. 12 percent of the profit goes to the Branch. They have applied for a licence through Alcohol and Gaming, 2.13% will be paid to them. NS/NU District E Commander Don McCumber will provide the Rafflebox Procedural Rules to NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook for consideration in sharing with Branches.

Disbursement of Funds from National Command

NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook advised that the second allotment of funds from National Command has been received. District Commanders are to forward Branch requests for assistance through the Executive Director or Branches may forward to E.D. directly. District and Zone Commanders will be consulted and requests will be considered on a case by case basis by the Finance Committee.

16. Other Business

Sports 2021

NS/NU Command Sports Committee Chairman Robert Hoeg reported that Dominion Command does not yet know whether they will be hosting 2021 National events. He explained that the Provincial Cribbage and Dart and Pool associations hold their own accounts and that funds that would have normally been used for participants to attend the National events are being held in those accounts. Once the names of the 2020 winners for Darts and Cribbage have been provided to Dominion Command, they will send out the crests, pins and a letter that would have usually been received at the Nationals.

An ABMO will be sent out informing Branches of the decision to curtail all Provincial sanctioned playoffs until direction is received from National Command as to how and when they are hosting national events.

M - 31

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

That all playdowns for sanctioned sports leading to National competition be curtailed until National Command reinstitutes competition at the National level.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU President Marion Fryday-Cook requested that if Branches have plans for running crib/pool/darts that have been sanctioned by Public Health please forward them to the NS/NU Command Office so it can be shared.

Alcohol and Gaming

NS/NU Command Alcohol and Gaming Committee Chairman Cliff MacIntyre reported that himself and NS/NU Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte had met with the Director of Gaming Nova Scotia. Alcohol and Gaming state that they are giving Legion Branches 25% of the profit from the Video Lottery Terminals. However once taxes and a deduction for Gamblers Anonymous Nova Scotia has been taken the amount received is 21.522%.

M - 32

Moved by Comrade Hoeg, seconded by Comrade McCumber.

That NS/NU Command sends a letter to Nova Scotia Alcohol and Gaming requesting an increase in the percentage received from the VLTS to 26 percent.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Branch 053 Loan

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte informed the meeting that Branch 053, Victoria is requesting permission to enter a loan through The Canadian Emergency Benefit Program.

M - 33

Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Malin.

That permission be granted to Branch 053 to apply for the loan.

13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

17. Other Business

The next NS/NU Executive Council Meeting will be on Saturday February 27, 2020. The time and format are to be confirmed.

18. President's Closing Remarks

NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook advised that all information provided from the Government providing guidance during the pandemic has been forwarded to Branches. She also communicated that during these unprecedented times training seminars have been cancelled and that moving forward hopefully some virtual training sessions can be scheduled.

She asked that everyone review their duties as laid out in the By-Law and Policy Manuals. She asked that District Commanders use the District Commander Report Form and keep reports precise as opposed to listing every Branch. Zone Commanders are required to send their reports to the District Commanders who then report to the Executive Council. Reports need to be sent in by the deadline, if there is no report submit it as such, "no report." NS/NU Command President Marion Fryday-Cook has been requested by Dominion Command to send out a series of questions which will be distributed to the District Commanders and are to be completed by the end of September. She asked that District Commanders encourage Branches to push the Federal Government for a financial aid package for Legion branches by sending the Member Outreach Letter to Ministers of Parliament. She also reinforced that District Commanders remind members to please be polite when calling into the Command Office. She thanked the staff for their outstanding work.

There being no further business NS/NU Command Chairman Karen Lynch adjourned the meeting at 2:52 pm.

M - 34


Moved by Comrade MacIntyre, seconded by Comrade Malin.

That the meeting be adjourned.

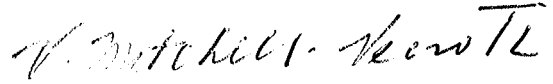
13 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

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 1 Sep 2020:

- we are handling 351 open/active VAC files (note 1)
- we made 40 home visits (note 2)
- we had 79 VAC disability claims withdrawn (note 3)
- we had 192 favorable and 13 unfavorable VAC disability claim decisions
- we have been responsible for approx. \$ 13.7 million dollars awarded. Which is the equivalent to financial lump sums for VAC disability claims including 8 new monthly pensions and/or increases. 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. Also, weekly Veteran Farm Project deliveries between 11 Jul and 19 Sep 2019.

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 5 months of assistance.

Since 1 Jan 2020, our Bureau Service Officers participated in National Service Officer teleconferences. They had to postpone a meeting with representatives of the Veterans Review and Appeal Board and the Annual Service Officer Training in our Windsor and Baddeck Branch's. The Bi-Annual Service Officer Professional Development from 26-30 Oct in Charlottetown PE was postponed until 2021.

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.

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Service Bureau

President's Report
Executive Council
September 2020

These past 6 months have certainly been difficult for all of us and I want you all to know how much I appreciate the hard work that has gone on across our command to reopen branches that have decided to open. There are many branches that have yet to reopen but they are still working diligently to update, paint and prepare their branch for their eventual reopen date. I also understand your frustration in the constant changes in the government regulations that have evolved over the past few months. With so many changes, it certainly was hard to keep up and I thank you for your patience. Please keep following the Social Distancing Rules, wear a mask and keep everyone safe.

Since we last met in late May, the Command office has made a few changes. Barriers for staff, hand sanitizers and other Covid-19 protocols have been in place and I would like to thank the staff for their meticulous cleaning regiment daily to keep everyone safe.

The Dominion President has written two letters to the Prime Minister asking for help for Legions across Canada. This action has not been addressed by the government to date so a letter writing campaign to MP's across Canada will begin shortly. The letter will be sent to all Commands and then to all branches and Dominion President Irvine is asking that all members send a copy of the letter of support to their local Members of Parliament.

A class action lawsuit has been filed by Dominion Command and Ontario Command against PIB/ Aviva for loss of income insurance. Please refer to ABMO # 45 for more information.

I had the pleasure of delivering a Farm Project Basket to a veteran and their family all summer and was thoroughly impressed by the team, and the farm when we toured their location. My heartfelt thanks go out to Jessica, Steve and the rest of the team of veterans who work so hard in support of other veterans. 30 families were supported this season and in late August, boxes of fresh and frozen vegetables, pickles and preserves, fresh bread and other goodies were delivered to more than 20 veterans. I would like to thank the District D Service Officers, Comrades Steadman, Conrad and Mitchell-Veinotte for making the delivery of these boxes possible. A job well done.

I have attended Zoom conferences for Membership, PRO, Provincial/Territorial President's Round table, Federal Funding discussions, and the DEC Governance Committee. All have been highly informative. It is amazing to be able to discuss issues with comrades from across the country.

Comrade Conrad and I attended a ceremony to mark the 75th Anniversary of V-J Day and the end of WWII. It was a moving, albeit small ceremony and I had the honour of reading the Act of Remembrance. The National Veteran's Week poster was unveiled and the family of one of the veterans on the poster was there to assist the Minister of Veterans Affairs with this task.

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

DEC Report
Executive Council
September 2020

The DEC zoom meeting was held over a two-day period on June 6-7, 2020.

Comrade Irvine praised the branches across Canadian who have continued to support Remembrance and Veterans during the Covid-19 Crisis. Many branches held commemorative ceremonies either virtually or in small groups for the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of the Atlantic, the 75th Anniversary of the Liberation of Netherlands, the End of WWII in Europe. The Dominion President also thanked all the Provincial/Territorial staff for their hard work. Stolen Valour remains an important focus and we must all be vigilant to ensure this does not happen. It will be dealt with swiftly by his office.

Finances are holding their own as there have been savings due to the cancellation of the 2020 Convention, Membership Sports and Track and Field. The new practice of Zoom meetings has also help to off set costs.

Veterans, Services and Seniors Committee:

DEC approved the "Leave the Streets Behind 2020-2025 plan to eradicate veteran's homelessness. DEC approved the second year of \$10,000 funding for Project Trauma Support to resume when PTS resumes after the Covid crisis allows.

Poppy

Funding to Support our Troops Special Needs Program, The Youth Camp Program, Operation Veteran, Heroes Mending on the Fly and Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance were approved for 2020.

DEC approved Changes to the Poppy manual section 403.ii.e with regards to the purchase of public safety items necessary to protect our veterans and members up to a maximum of \$500 from the Poppy Trust Funds.

Membership committee recommended and DEC approved that "New members wishing to join the Royal Canadian Legion be offered the opportunity to join a local branch online. The Veterans Welcome Program continues to grow with over 2000 new members in the first three months of 2020. Please look at the new Members Perks as there are many incentives for members from a large group of businesses. Go to Legion.ca to see what your membership offers you.

Ritual and Awards

TVS and bars and ribbon and BSO OSI bar have been approved. Legion Informal Dress was approved.

Constitution and Laws: the following items were approved by DEC

GBL 1001 be amended to: " A provincial convention for each Provincial Command shall be held annually or biennially as determined by the Provincial Command, at such time and place as the Provincial Command may decide. However, in exceptional circumstances with the consent of Dominion Command, the interval between provincial conventions may be extended as appropriate."

Convention Committee 2020/2022 Conventions – Rescheduling: Due to the effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic DEC voted unanimously to reschedule the 2020 Dominion Convention from August 2020 to 12-19 August 2021. In addition to the rescheduling of the 2020 Dominion Convention DEC also approved unanimously to reschedule the 2022 Dominion Convention to 23-29 August 2024.

Legion National Foundation

Digital Poppy

All monies donated to the Digital Poppy will go directly to the Legion National Foundation. Receipts will be given out at the national level.

Further to the DEC meeting, the DEC met on August 8, 2020 by Teleconference and the following was approved.

MOTION 1: Branch Elections

At the teleconference on 20 Mar 20, DEC directed that Branch elections and transitions to a new executive, and branch by-laws / regulations pertaining to branch elections, be suspended pending a return to normal branch operations.

DEC Decision, 12 Aug 20: The authority for holding Branch elections is now delegated to Provincial Commands / International Zones **effective immediately.**

MOTION 2: Article III Proceedings

Background: At the teleconference on 20 Mar 20, DEC directed that all current and new complaints be held in abeyance and suspended the 45-day requirement under sub-section 308.d of the GBLs. Further, at the teleconference on 4 Apr 20, DEC directed that all timelines in Article III provisions governing the complaint and appeal processes be suspended effective immediately (5 April 2020). Pending the re-opening of branches and command offices, the date for reinstatement was to be determined by the Dominion President when, in his sole discretion, it was felt to be warranted.

DEC Decision, 12 Aug 20: The temporary measures will remain in place as DEC decided not to reinstate Article III proceedings and timelines. All current and new complaints and appeals will continue to be held in abeyance. Reinstatement of Article III proceedings will be reviewed again prior to the November 2020 DEC meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

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

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
Finance and Building Committee Report

September 19,2020

Committee:

Comrade Donna McRury	Chairman
Comrade President Marion Fryday-Cook	NS/NU Command President
Comrade Mervin Steadman	Member
Comrade Conrad Gilbert	Member
Comrade Valerie Mitchell- Veinotte	Secretary

We continue to monitor the budget variation on a month by month basis. While line by line figures change, the bottom number of the budget remains the same. We have two items up for discussion on the budget. One being the new insurance rate and the electricity.

The Finance and Building Committee recommended to the Executive Council that the GIC certificate 1DHXDG book value of \$80,000.00 be reinvested with Scotiabank at a special offer rate 0.90% interest for 9 months with the interest earned on the matured certificate be allocated to Veterans Assistance/ Benevolent Fund. Executive Council voted in favor; this action has been completed.

Also recommended by the Committee; that the 23,500.00 designated for National Convention in the 2020 budget be invested in a GIC with Scotiabank at the special offer rate of 0.90% interest for 9 months. Executive Council voted in favor; this action has been completed.

The battery backup for the Bookkeeper/ Clerk computer has been purchased however the surge protectors are on back order. The Service Officers have received their new client chairs for their office.

It was brought to the Committee's attention that the Executive Director's laptop which is 10 years old, have side ports not working. The laptop has had numerous repairs .The side ports are required especially since we have been doing Zoom meetings. On our Zoom meetings if you call in, it is difficult to hear others, we have purchased an external speaker to aid with hearing. This requires a side port, as well any external hard drives or flash drive require ports. This laptop is also used at conventions, it is awkward, heavy to transport due to the old model. With ports not working properly it is difficult to complete the necessary tasks. The Committee has requested the Executive Director get three quotes for a new laptop that is more efficient, light

weight for travel with ports that will assist in completing the jobs required. We as a Committee are currently in discussion regarding the laptop.

The initial repairs to the front entrance and boardroom entrance have been completed, the work consisted of:

- Remove trim returns on both sides of doorways
- Supply and install solid wood returns
- Paint new finishes to match existing
- Supply and install new door sweeps on exterior of doors

Cost for repair was \$ 966.00 plus HST.

The Executive Director brought to the Committee's attention that the security lock on the front door was not working properly. Due to the fact that this is a security issue, the Executive Director contacted a lock repair company to have the work done for the safety and security of the building. This repair has been done as well; cost was \$115.00.

The Executive Director Comrade Valerie has applied for the Accessibility Grant. This grant is through a federal accessibility grant program. There has been no confirmation to date on our success of the grant, however we will keep the Executive Council up to date.

The Committee would like to thank the Executive Director Comrade Valerie for applying for the grant. We appreciate all the help you have given us.

Comrades,

The Committee will be continuing to monitor the building for any repairs or changes that are required to take place.

Respectively submitted

Comrade Donna McRury

Chairman

Finance and Building Committee

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

July, 2020

YTD, 2020

Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020
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Actual YTD	Budget 2020	Variance YTD
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OPERATING REVENUE

General Revenue

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 213.70	\$ 2,800.00	\$ (2,586.30)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 162.68	\$ -	\$ 162.68
\$ 3,490.85	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (1,509.15)
\$ 4,418.12	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 918.12
\$ 8,286.35	\$ 11,300.00	\$ (3,014.65)

4015 Percentage of Dominion Sales Revenue	\$ 6,044.68	\$ 5,432.00	\$ 612.68
4100 Taxable Command Supply Sale	\$ 1,137.40	\$ 865.00	\$ 272.40
4200 Interest Income	\$ 8,097.43	\$ 16,730.00	\$ (8,632.57)
4250 Postage & Courier Income - (non-poppy)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4060 Miscellaneous Revenue - General	\$ 2,821.80	\$ 796.00	\$ 2,025.80
4400 Per Capita Tax (Current Membership Fees)	\$ 185,801.54	\$ 210,710.00	\$ (24,908.46)
4625 Veterans Service Recognition Booklet	\$ 58,035.93	\$ 81,886.00	\$ (23,849.07)
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 261,938.78	\$ 316,518.00	\$ (54,579.22)

\$ 6,044.68	\$ 5,432.00	\$ 612.68
\$ 1,137.40	\$ 865.00	\$ 272.40
\$ 8,097.43	\$ 16,730.00	\$ (8,632.57)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,821.80	\$ 796.00	\$ 2,025.80
\$ 185,801.54	\$ 210,710.00	\$ (24,908.46)
\$ 58,035.93	\$ 81,886.00	\$ (23,849.07)
\$ 261,938.78	\$ 316,518.00	\$ (54,579.22)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

General Expenses

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 5,955.88	\$ 6,340.00	\$ (384.12)
\$ 240.77	\$ 284.00	\$ (43.23)
\$ 157.35	\$ 254.00	\$ (96.65)
\$ 158.00	\$ 158.00	\$ -
\$ 44.32	\$ 37.00	\$ 7.32
\$ 394.28	\$ 387.00	\$ 7.28
\$ 29.30	\$ 598.00	\$ (568.70)
\$ 91.50	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (908.50)
\$ 704.56	\$ 500.00	\$ 204.56
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,450.00	\$ 1,610.00	\$ (160.00)
\$ (102,000.00)	\$ -	\$ (102,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,089.19	\$ 1,158.00	\$ (68.81)
\$ 1,300.85	\$ -	\$ 1,300.85
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 76.80	\$ 125.00	\$ (48.20)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 341.77	\$ 100.00	\$ 241.77
\$ (89,987.63)	\$ 12,429.00	\$ (102,396.63)

5020 Branch Supplies Purchases	\$ 624.41	\$ 1,042.00	\$ (417.59)
5130 Salaries - General	\$ 46,426.60	\$ 88,775.44	\$ (42,348.84)
5150 CPP Expense - General	\$ 1,825.10	\$ 3,752.00	\$ (1,926.90)
5180 EI Expense - General	\$ 1,212.11	\$ 3,301.64	\$ (2,089.53)
5170 RRSP Employer Expense - General	\$ 1,170.00	\$ 2,028.00	\$ (858.00)
5180 Workers Compensation - General	\$ 312.51	\$ 481.84	\$ (169.33)
5200 Telephone/Fax - General	\$ 3,466.55	\$ 5,249.25	\$ (1,782.70)
5210 Office Supplies - General	\$ 4,568.39	\$ 6,743.00	\$ (2,174.61)
5215 Computer Expense - General	\$ 3,041.97	\$ 7,200.00	\$ (4,158.03)
5220 Postage & Courier - General	\$ 3,291.62	\$ 6,743.00	\$ (3,451.38)
5229 Legal - General	\$ 2,589.91	\$ -	\$ (2,589.91)
5230 Audit - General	\$ 10,350.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ (7,150.00)
5235 Assistance to Branches	\$ 111,819.80	\$ 1,577.00	\$ (113,396.80)
5240 Donations - General	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
5245 Amortization - General	\$ 7,694.14	\$ 13,904.00	\$ (6,209.86)
5250 Leasing Contracts - General	\$ 3,602.49	\$ 4,400.00	\$ (797.51)
5255 NS/NU Command Use - General (eg. Staff bc	\$ 477.08	\$ 1,493.00	\$ (1,015.92)
5260 Staff Training - General	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5265 Sundries - Coffee, General Items	\$ 408.65	\$ 1,336.00	\$ (927.35)
5270 Membership Renewal Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5280 Interest & Bank Charges - General	\$ 1,150.30	\$ 1,700.00	\$ (549.70)
Total General Expenses	\$ 24,787.79	\$ 167,728.03	\$ (142,940.24)

\$ 624.41	\$ 1,042.00	\$ (417.59)
\$ 46,426.60	\$ 88,775.44	\$ (42,348.84)
\$ 1,825.10	\$ 3,752.00	\$ (1,926.90)
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\$ 3,041.97	\$ 7,200.00	\$ (4,158.03)
\$ 3,291.62	\$ 6,743.00	\$ (3,451.38)
\$ 2,589.91	\$ -	\$ (2,589.91)
\$ 10,350.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ (7,150.00)
\$ 111,819.80	\$ 1,577.00	\$ (113,396.80)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 7,694.14	\$ 13,904.00	\$ (6,209.86)
\$ 3,602.49	\$ 4,400.00	\$ (797.51)
\$ 477.08	\$ 1,493.00	\$ (1,015.92)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 408.65	\$ 1,336.00	\$ (927.35)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,150.30	\$ 1,700.00	\$ (549.70)
\$ 24,787.79	\$ 167,728.03	\$ (142,940.24)

Occupancy Expenses

\$ 66.97	\$ 300.00	\$ (231.03)
\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -
\$ 52.50	\$ 65.00	\$ (12.50)
\$ 161.35	\$ 574.00	\$ (412.65)
\$ 540.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 60.00
\$ 470.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 20.00
\$ 1,317.82	\$ 1,894.00	\$ (576.18)

5310 Repairs & Maintenance - General	\$ 3,753.13	\$ 3,983.00	\$ (229.87)
5320 Fire Tax - General	\$ 450.59	\$ 300.00	\$ 150.59
5330 Water - General	\$ 326.25	\$ 600.00	\$ (273.75)
5360 Electricity - General	\$ 2,758.70	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 58.70
5360 Cleaning Expense - General	\$ 3,783.30	\$ 6,240.00	\$ (2,456.70)
5370 Insurance - General	\$ 3,280.00	\$ 5,710.00	\$ (2,430.00)
Total Occupancy Expenses	\$ 14,351.97	\$ 18,503.00	\$ (4,151.03)

\$ 3,753.13	\$ 3,983.00	\$ (229.87)
\$ 450.59	\$ 300.00	\$ 150.59
\$ 326.25	\$ 600.00	\$ (273.75)
\$ 2,758.70	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 58.70
\$ 3,783.30	\$ 6,240.00	\$ (2,456.70)
\$ 3,280.00	\$ 5,710.00	\$ (2,430.00)
\$ 14,351.97	\$ 18,503.00	\$ (4,151.03)

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
General Fund - Program Statement**

YTD, 2020

July, 2020

Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020
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Actual YTD	Budget 2020	Variance YTD
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -		\$ -
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PROGRAM REVENUE				
4460	Leadership Training Camp Income -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4285	Miscellaneous Income -LTC Donation - LTC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4550	Sports Revenues	\$ -	\$ 14,090.00	\$ (14,090.00)
	Total Program Revenue	\$ -	\$ 14,090.00	\$ (14,090.00)

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

PROGRAM EXPENSES				
5543 & 5545	Leadership Training Camp	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
5546	Grand Parade	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ (750.00)
5555	Trust 1 Bursary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$ -	\$ 1,750.00	\$ (1,750.00)

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

SPORTS EXPENSES				
5505	Sports Committee Expense - Gen	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
5510	Darts Expense - General	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ (800.00)
5520	Cribbage Expense - General	\$ 269.20	\$ 200.00	\$ 69.20
5522	8 Ball Pool - General	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
5525	Track & Field Expense - General	\$ -	\$ 23,600.00	\$ (23,600.00)
	TOTAL SPORTS EXPENSES	\$ 269.20	\$ 25,200.00	\$ (24,930.80)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$ 269.20	\$ 26,950.00	\$ (26,680.80)
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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Program Net Income (Loss)	\$ (269.20)	\$ (12,880.00)	\$ 12,610.80
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Poppy Fund - Poppy Statement**

July, 2020

YTD, 2020

Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020
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Actual YTD	Budget 2020	Variance YTD
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\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 10,185.40	\$ -	\$ 10,185.40
\$ 36,004.02	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 31,504.02
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 95.80	\$ 250.00	\$ (154.20)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 46,285.22	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 41,535.22

POPPY REVENUE

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 10,573.90	\$ 56,772.00	\$ (46,198.10)
\$ 40,602.93	\$ 450,000.00	\$ (409,397.07)
\$ 1,381.91	\$ 65,000.00	\$ (63,618.09)
\$ 1,779.31	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (2,220.69)
\$ 419.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (81.00)
\$ 54,757.06	\$ 576,272.00	\$ (521,514.95)

\$ 7,306.67	\$ -	\$ 7,306.67
\$ 26,641.87	\$ 500.00	\$ 26,141.87
\$ 33,948.54	\$ 500.00	\$ 33,448.54

Poppy Purchases

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

\$ 7,571.15	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (32,428.85)
\$ 29,343.65	\$ 346,000.00	\$ (315,656.35)
\$ 36,914.80	\$ 385,000.00	\$ (348,085.20)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 206.29	\$ -	\$ 206.29
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 5.86	\$ 475.00	\$ (469.14)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 9.77	\$ 20.00	\$ (10.23)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)
\$ 294.56	\$ 200.00	\$ 94.56
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 7,378.04	\$ 7,435.00	\$ (56.96)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 59.92	\$ -	\$ 59.92
\$ 4,369.55	\$ 4,648.00	\$ (278.45)
\$ 131.43	\$ 150.00	\$ (18.57)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 12,455.42	\$ 13,128.00	\$ (672.58)

Poppy Expenses

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,974.15	\$ 2,660.00	\$ (685.85)
\$ 575.46	\$ 1,100.00	\$ (524.54)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 740.98	\$ 1,800.00	\$ (1,059.02)
\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
\$ 71.39	\$ 260.00	\$ (178.61)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,216.32	\$ 1,771.00	\$ (554.68)
\$ 956.32	\$ 2,816.00	\$ (1,859.68)
\$ 1,190.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (10.00)
\$ 55,304.50	\$ 96,642.92	\$ (41,338.42)
\$ 312.85	\$ -	\$ 312.85
\$ 91.75	\$ 1,400.00	\$ (1,308.25)
\$ 34,146.21	\$ 65,559.19	\$ (31,412.98)
\$ 1,184.45	\$ 1,749.75	\$ (565.30)
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ (800.00)
\$ 88,764.38	\$ 192,748.86	\$ (93,984.48)

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

Travel & Allowances

5430	Poppy Committee
	Total Travel & Allowances

\$ 238.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,762.00)
\$ 238.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,762.00)

\$ 46,403.96	\$ 13,628.00	\$ 32,775.96
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TOTAL POPPY EXPENDITURES

\$ 135,917.18	\$ 579,748.86	\$ (443,831.68)
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\$ (118.74)	\$ (8,878.00)	\$ 8,759.26
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Poppy Net Income (Loss)

\$ (81,160.13)	\$ (3,476.86)	\$ (77,683.27)
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Elise Jean Lambert Account - Scholarship Statement**

July, 2020

YTD, 2020

Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020
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Actual YTD	Budget 2020	Variance YTD
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\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)

LAMBERT INCOME

4910 Interest Income - Lambert used for Bur	\$ 1,914.98	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (3,085.02)
Total Bursary/Scholarship Income	\$ 1,914.98	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (3,085.02)

LAMBERT EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 5,500.00	\$ -	\$ 5,500.00
		\$ -
\$ 5,500.00	\$ -	\$ 5,500.00

5905 Bank Charges - Lambert	\$ 11.95	\$ -	\$ 11.95
5910 Elsie Lambert Scholarship Cheques	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 500.00
			\$ -
TOTAL LAMBERT EXPENSES	\$ 5,511.95	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 511.95

\$ (5,500.00)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (6,500.00)
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Lambert Net Income (Loss)

\$ (3,596.97)	\$ -	\$ (3,596.97)
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Fund - Benevolent Statement**

July, 2020			YTD, 2020		
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2019	Variance YTD
BENEVOLENT REVENUE					
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 47,714.33	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 17,714.33
\$ 213.65	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (786.35)	\$ 2,368.72	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (2,831.28)
\$ 213.65	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,786.35)	\$ 60,083.05	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 15,083.05
BENEVOLENT EXPENSES					
\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ 16,415.89	\$ 30,000.00	\$ (13,584.11)
\$ 11.47	\$ 16.00	\$ (3.53)	\$ 52.21	\$ 140.00	\$ (87.79)
\$ 11.47	\$ 3,016.00	\$ (3,003.53)	\$ 16,468.10	\$ 30,140.00	\$ (13,871.90)
TOTAL BENEVOLENT NET INCOME (LOSS)					
\$ 202.18	\$ (1,015.00)	\$ (1,217.18)	\$ 33,614.95	\$ 4,860.00	\$ 28,754.95

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Fund - Veterans Outreach Statement**

July, 2020			YTD, 2020		
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020	Variance YTD
VETERANS OUTREACH REVENUE					
\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (6,000.00)	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)
VETERANS OUTREACH EXPENSES					
\$ 2,424.85	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (1,575.15)	\$ 24,784.40	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (20,215.60)
\$ (2,424.85)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (3,424.85)	\$ (19,784.40)	\$ (30,000.00)	\$ 10,215.60
Total Veterans Outreach Net Income (Loss)					

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Fund - PAWS FUR THOUGHT**

July, 2020			YTD, 2020		
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Variance June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020	Variance YTD
PAWS FUR THOUGHT REVENUE					
\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 95,025.01	\$ 102,000.00	\$ (6,974.99)
PAWS FUR THOUGHT EXPENSES					
\$ 118,240.54	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 117,240.54	\$ 120,259.20	\$ 102,000.00	\$ 18,259.20
\$ (113,240.54)	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ (112,240.54)	\$ (25,234.19)	\$ -	\$ (25,234.19)
Total PAWS Fur Thought Net Income (Loss)					

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

July, 2020		YTD, 2020	
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020
\$ 8,285.35	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 261,938.78	\$ 315,518.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,090.00
\$ 8,285.35	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 261,938.78	\$ 329,608.00
\$ (86,511.68)	\$ 24,064.00	\$ 11,618.17	\$ 274,040.83
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 269.20	\$ 26,950.00
\$ (86,511.68)	\$ 24,064.00	\$ 11,887.37	\$ 300,990.83
\$ 94,797.03	\$ (12,764.00)	\$ 250,051.41	\$ 28,617.17

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

July, 2020		YTD, 2020	
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020
\$ 46,285.22	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 54,757.05	\$ 576,272.00
\$ 46,285.22	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 54,757.05	\$ 576,272.00
\$ 46,403.96	\$ 13,628.00	\$ 135,917.18	\$ 579,748.86
\$ 46,403.96	\$ 13,628.00	\$ 135,917.18	\$ 579,748.86
\$ (118.74)	\$ (8,878.00)	\$ (81,160.13)	\$ (3,476.86)

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

July, 2020		YTD, 2020	
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,914.98	\$ 5,000.00
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,914.98	\$ 5,000.00
\$ 5,500.00	\$ -	\$ 5,511.95	\$ 5,000.00
\$ 5,500.00	\$ -	\$ 5,511.95	\$ 5,000.00
\$ (5,500.00)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (3,596.97)	\$ -

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

July, 2020

YTD, 2020

July, 2020		YTD, 2020	
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020
\$ 213.65	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 50,083.05	\$ 35,000.00
\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 95,025.01	\$ 102,000.00
<u>\$ 5,213.65</u>	<u>\$ 7,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 150,108.06</u>	<u>\$ 152,000.00</u>
\$ 11.47	\$ 3,015.00	\$ 16,468.10	\$ 30,140.00
\$ 2,424.85	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 24,784.40	\$ 45,000.00
\$ 118,240.54	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 120,259.20	\$ 102,000.00
<u>\$ 120,676.86</u>	<u>\$ 8,015.00</u>	<u>\$ 161,511.70</u>	<u>\$ 177,140.00</u>
<u>\$ (115,463.21)</u>	<u>\$ (1,015.00)</u>	<u>\$ (11,403.64)</u>	<u>\$ (25,140.00)</u>

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

July, 2020

YTD, 2020

July, 2020		YTD, 2020	
Actual June, 2020	Budget June, 2020	Actual YTD	Budget 2020
\$ 59,784.22	\$ 24,050.00	\$ 468,718.87	\$ 1,062,880.00
\$ 86,069.14	\$ 45,707.00	\$ 314,828.20	\$ 1,062,879.69
<u>\$ (26,284.92)</u>	<u>\$ (21,657.00)</u>	<u>\$ 153,890.67</u>	<u>\$ 0.31</u>

Monna McRury

Approved

Aug 25 2020

Date

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

Visa Points	295,000
Plus: Current Points Earned	10,936
Less: Redeemed Points	-
Closing Points Balance	305,936
As at June, 2020	305,936

Scotiabank Investment Listing:	GL Acct	Purchase Date	Orig. Invest.	Int. Rate	Term	Maturity	Balance Sheet Value
Elsie Jean Lambert GIC 1MV79F	1151	Mar.30/20	\$200,000.00	1.70%	1 Years	Mar.30/21	\$200,018.63
GIC 1C8XFK	1110	Dec.1/17	\$22,657.57	2.40%	4 Years	Dec.1/21	\$23,948.77
GIC 1K0HTL Supplementary	1192	May.30/19	\$25,000.00	2.41%	2 Years	May.31/21	\$25,506.76
GIC 1K0HV1 Capital Reserve Cashable	1193	May.30/19	\$100,000.00	2.41%	2 Years	May.31/21	\$102,027.04
GIC 1C8X9G	1185	Dec.1/17	\$50,000.00	2.40%	4 Years	Dec.1/21	\$52,849.38
GIC 1DHXDG	1188	Mar.19/18	\$80,000.00	2.90%	29 Mths	Aug.19/20	\$84,801.32
GIC 1FN40J	1189	Jul. 27/18	\$50,000.00	3.00%	3 Years	Jul. 27/21	\$52,553.99
GIC 1HRY6T	1190	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	5 Years	Feb.14/24	\$51,784.20
GIC 1HRY6V	1191	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	5 Years	Feb.14/24	\$51,784.20
							\$0.00

\$645,274.29

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

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Income Statement Jan 01, 2020 to Jul 31, 2020

REVENUE

General Income		
Percentage of Dominion Sales Rev.		6,044.68
Miscellaneous Income - General		2,821.80
Taxable Command Supply Sale-General		1,137.40
Interest Income - General		8,097.43
Total General Income		<u>18,101.31</u>
Program Revenues		185,801.54
Per Capita Tax		
Veterans Recognition Book - taxable	36,763.18	
Veterans Recognition Book - non tax	<u>21,272.75</u>	
Net: Veterans Service Recognition Book		58,035.93
Veterans Outreach Program		<u>5,000.00</u>
Total Program Revenues		<u>248,837.47</u>
Poppy Income		
Taxable Poppy Sales	10,573.90	
Non-Taxable Poppy Sales	<u>40,602.93</u>	
Net: Poppy Sales		51,176.83
Assessed Poppy		1,381.91
Interest Income - Poppy		1,779.31
Donation Income - Poppy		419.00
Total Poppy Income		<u>54,757.05</u>
Benevolent Income		47,714.33
Donations - Benevolent		95,025.01
Donations - Paws Fur Thought		2,368.72
Interest Income - Benevolent		<u>145,108.08</u>
Total Benevolent Income		
Lambert Income		1,914.98
Interest Income - Lambert		<u>1,914.98</u>
Total Lambert Income		
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>468,718.87</u>

EXPENSE

Administrative Expense		624.41
Branch Supplies Purchases-General		<u>624.41</u>
Total General Purchases for Resale		
General & Admin. Expenses		46,426.60
Salaries - General		1,825.10
CPP Expense - General		1,212.11
EI Expense - General		1,170.00
RRSP Employer Expense - General		312.51
Workers Compensation - General		3,468.55
Telephone/Fax -General		4,568.39
Office Supplies-General		3,041.97
Computer Expense-General		3,291.62
Postage & Courier - General		-2,588.91
Legal - General		10,350.00
Audit - General		-11,819.80
Assistance to Branches - General		7,694.14
Amortization - General		3,602.49
Leasing Contracts - General		477.08
NS/NU Command Use-General		408.65
Sundries-Coffee, Misc Items-Genera		1,150.30
Bank Charges - General		<u>-25,412.20</u>
Total Administration - General		

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Occupany Expenses		
Repairs & Maintenance - General		3,753.13
Fire Tax		450.59
Water - General		326.25
Electricity - General		2,758.70
Cleaning Expense - General		3,783.30
Insurance - General		3,280.00
Total Occupancy Costs		<u>14,351.97</u>
Travel & Allowances - General		2,156.53
Personnel Committee - General		6,500.00
Council Allowance - General		6,311.59
NS/NU Executive Council Exp-General		6.12
Hospitality - General		453.54
Sub-Exec Special Call - General		238.00
Poppy Committee - General		384.16
Honours & Awards/By-Laws Committee		977.43
Finance/Bldg Committee-General		217.78
Resolutions Committee - General		1,562.71
Command President Exp-General		250.00
Public Relations-Adv - General		3,500.00
Veteran Service Recognition Books		31.48
Executive Directors Expense - Gen.		126.65
Complaint Committee - General		576.00
Treasurer Expenses - General		22,291.99
Total Travel & Allowance - General		<u>22,291.99</u>
Sports Expenses - General		269.20
Cribbage Expense - General		269.20
Total Sports Expenses-General		<u>269.20</u>
Program Direct Expenses-General		0.00
Grand Parade		0.00
Total Program Costs - General		<u>0.00</u>
Poppy Expenses		
Taxable Poppy Purchases	7,571.15	
Non-Taxable Poppy Purchases	<u>29,343.65</u>	
		36,914.80
Net: Poppy Purchases		1,974.15
Building Maint - Poppy		575.46
Service Contracts - Poppy		740.98
Computer Expenses - Poppy		1,000.00
Donations - Poppy		71.39
Bank Charges - Poppy		1,216.32
Office Supplies - Poppy		956.32
Postage & Courier - Poppy		1,180.00
Poster & Essay Winners - Poppy		346.12
WCB Expense - Poppy		49,445.72
Salaries - Poppy		2,474.04
CPP Expense - Poppy		1,088.62
EI Expense - Poppy		1,950.00
RRSP Deductions - Poppy		312.85
Special Functions - Poppy		91.75
Service Officer Travel - Poppy		34,146.21
Secretarial - Poppy		1,184.45
Telephone - Poppy		135,679.18
Total Poppy Expenses		<u>135,679.18</u>
Benevolent Expenses		16,415.89
Benevolent Disbursements		52.21
Benevolent Interest & Bank Charges		24,784.40
Veterans Outreach Program		120,259.20
Paws Fur Thought - Benevolent		161,611.70
Total Benevolent Expenses		<u>161,611.70</u>

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Lambert - Expenses	11.95
Bank Charges - Lambert	5,500.00
Elsie Lambert Scholarship Expense	<u>5,511.95</u>
Total Lambert Expenses	
	<u>314,828.20</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	
	<u>153,890.67</u>
NET INCOME	

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Balance Sheet As at Jul 31, 2020

ASSET

Current Assets		250.00
Petty Cash		1,000.00
Emergency Cash-Poppy		564,372.92
Scotiabank - General ..1-19		256,079.82
Scotiabank - Poppy ..0-14		10,188.31
Scotiabank - Veteran S Recog		495,687.39
Scotiabank - Benevolent ..0813		5,561.12
Scotiabank - Lambert (new) ..31...		1,567.48
Scotiabank - WebDonations ..0817		23,120.99
Scotiabank - Trust1 Bursary ..00...		1,463.91
Scotiabank - Programs ..00*4710		24,090.93
Term Deposit - General_ends 20...		200,866.30
GIC - ElsieJeanLambert_ends 2...		53,163.09
Scotia Bank Invest 1C8X9G_end...		85,413.81
Scotia Bank Invest 1DHXDG_en...		52,939.18
Scotia Bank Invest 1FN40J_end...		52,189.24
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY6T_end...		52,189.24
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY6V_end...		25,658.25
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HTL_end...		102,633.00
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HV1_end...		19,901.61
Accounts Receivable Control		-3,717.19
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		365,224.93
Due from Poppy to General		19,606.94
Inventory - Poppy and Wreath		589.15
Poppy Promotional (free) Items		49,954.80
Inventory - Promotional Supplies		475.00
Inventory Adjustment		6,738.50
Prepaid Expenses		2,467,188.70
Total Current Assets		
Capital Assets		140,179.95
Land		
Building	532,110.75	
Accum. Amort. - Building	-233,441.97	
Net - Building		298,668.78
Office Furniture & Equipment	128,052.05	
Accum. Amort. - Furn. & Equip.	-119,943.24	
Net - Furniture & Equipment		8,108.81
Computer Equipment	16,820.32	
Accum. Amort. - Computer Equi...	-16,824.71	
Net : Computer Equipment		-4.39
Total Capital Assets		446,953.15
TOTAL ASSET		2,914,141.85

LIABILITY

Current Liabilities		39,586.02
Accounts Payable		-1,458.26
Vacation Accrual Paid		4,171.79
Accrued Vacation		15,499.75
Accrued Liabilities		2,152.00
RRSP Contributions Payable		700.00
RRSP Personal		1,513.26
CPP Payable		730.83
EI Payable		181.73
Workers Comp Payable		2,803.37
Federal Income Tax Payable		
HST Charged on Sales	1,263.50	
HST Paid on Purchases	-7,973.66	
HST Owng (Refund)		-6,710.16
Owing to General from Poppy		365,224.93
Deferred Revenue		1,663.75

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Total Current Liabilities	<u>426,038.81</u>
Long Term Liabilities	18,202.81
Deferred Revenue Long Term	1,597.20
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2021	278.30
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2022	157.30
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2023	96.80
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2024	36.30
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2025	<u>20,368.71</u>
Total Long Term Liabilities	<u>446,407.52</u>
TOTAL LIABILITY	<u>446,407.52</u>
EQUITY	
Fund Balances	878,878.33
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	100,000.00
Capital Reserve Fund	25,000.00
Supplementary Fund	466,152.00
Investment in Capital Assets	153,890.67
Current Earnings	164,800.33
General Fund Balance	104,701.00
Poppy Fund Balance	1,308.00
Lotto Fund Balance	368,150.00
Benevolent Fund Balance	205,054.00
Lambert Fund Balance	0.00
Trust 1 Bursary	<u>2,467,734.33</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,467,734.33</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>2,467,734.33</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u><u>2,914,141.85</u></u>

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Report to Executive Council September 19 2020

With required safety precautions in place the Command office returned to full staffing compliment early June. Following current health protocols , meetings and appointments are held in the boardroom, by teleconference and videoconferencing Under, at times, some what challenging circumstances, the day to day business of NS/NU Command continues to be affected appropriately.

With some variation, committee and program work as well as ongoing action relating to Branch business continues including the dissemination of accurate and timely information to Branches.

Regular meetings with National Executive Director are attended.

As of Tuesday September 08, 57 Branches have placed Poppy Campaign orders all of which have been filled and forwarded.

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

Since May Executive Council Meeting, and as at time of writing, the following matters were sent for decision of Executive Council via e-mail.

permission br 62 CERB
permission br161 CERB
permission br144 CERB
permission br38 CERB
permission br48 CERB
permission br152 CERB
permission br23 CERB
permission br31 CERB
permission br37 CERB
permission br138 CERB
Permission Br 112 NS Small Business Loan
combination position clerk/bookkeeper
reinvestment GIC 1DHXDG
Investment funds designated for National Convention

All were carried as reported in the result of each of the votes conducted.

Respectfully Submitted

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

District Commander's Report

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

Name: Lorne MacDonald

District: District "B"

Date: August 21, 2020

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

Zone: 5 No _____ Yes _____ No _____

Zone: 6 _____ Yes _____ No _____

Zone: _____ Yes _____ No _____

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

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

Yes: _____

No; X _____

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; X _____

No: _____

Date: _____

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

Attend Branch 37 regular meeting.

Plan on attending Branch 81 meeting to go over financial Aid from Government.

5. Since your last report, have you sponsored, or planning to sponsor, any

Leadership Seminars within your District? Please provide details.

None during time and none scheduled.

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.

Branch 46 has issues regarding updating their bylaws, meeting planned for September 12 to go over.

Branch 37 has applied for financial assistance from government programs.

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

Yes: X _____

No: _____

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

Covid 19 has a huge affect on reopening, some branches have already back in operation.

District "C" Zone 07 & ZONE 10

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: No Report.

Zone 10: Commander Wilson MacDonald reported that he and Deputy Zone Commander Murray Dawson did attend a special meeting at Shubenacadie Br# 111. The meeting was to deal with financial problems and a future meeting is planned for September 21, 2020. Provincial Command has been asked to have a table officer at that meeting. Commander MacDonald reports that Stewiacke Br# 70 has a new Secretary, Great Village Br# 72 has weekly take out dinners and their cheese sale and Colchester Br# 26 has bingo and weekly take out suppers.

District: Contact with District C Branches has been by telephone and computer only during the Covid-19 problem. Commander Wilson MacDonald has been keeping me updated on the Zone 10 Branches. Below is a list of which Branches are now opened or are taking steps to open.

Zone 07 = Joggins 04- closed, Amherst 10 – open, River Hebert 14 – open, Springhill 17 – bingo only, Oxford open, Springhill 17 – bingo only, Oxford 36 – closed, Parrsboro 45 – open, Pugwash 60 – closed, Malagash 97 – closed. Zone 10 = Colchester 26- open, Tatamagouche 64 – closed, Stewiacke 70 – open, Great Village 72 – closed, Shubenacadie 111 – closed, Debert 106 – open.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hoeg

Robert Hoeg,

District "C" Commander

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: Peter Townsend

District: D

Date: 07 September 2020

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

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.

04Mar20. DZ9 meeting, Branch #112. Duly elected and installed Comrade Jack Lamb (#122) Deputy DZ9 Cdr and Comrade Don Stansbury (#001) as District D Treasurer.
75th Annual Tribute for 27 Pilots buried Commonwealth War Graves site Middleton, as jointly organized by Branch #001 and 14 Wing Greenwood.
Appointed Comrade Ken Illnitski Deputy D Cdr.

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

None - due to Branch closures in compliant with NS Health Directives for Convirus 19.

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.

Nil Report

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.

Disappointed at the lack of 4 Branch representatives

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: Don McCumber

District: E

Date: Sept.7/2020

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

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

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

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

Yes:
No:
Date:

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

Yes:
No:
Date:

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

Attendance a Veteran's funeral.
Attendance at 100th. birthday gathering at Veteran's Place Yarmouth
Attendance at 95th. drive by birthday at Veteran's Place Yarmouth
Attendance at Nstional Peacekeepers service Afghanistan Monument, Mspie Grove
Presented 55 year bar to George Perry, Port Maitland
Presented two 55 year bars and two 50 year medals to Comrades in Shelburne

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

None planned at this time.

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.

Some Branches are facing financial difficulties and recruitment of new members due to covid.

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

Yes:

No:

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

District E meeting scheduled for Sept. 21/2020. Agenda will focus on report of Executive committee meeting as well as a plan for conducting their poppy campaigns and Remembrance Service. Also, will share info on how Branches in the District are operating under Covid regulations.

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: Richard Malin

District: F

Date: 09-Aug-20

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

Zone: 15 Yes No
Zone: 14 Yes No
Zone: _____ Yes No

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

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

Yes:
No:

Date: _____

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

Yes:

No:

Date: 23rd February 2021

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

22 May Executive Teleconference
3rd June Group of IX Teleconference
16 July Group of IX Deputy Minister's Teleconference update

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.

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.

Many questions fielded which are not specifically able to address in Legion Manuals
All relevant information forwarded to the Zone Commanders to be distributed to their branches

Poppy Fund Assessment 2020

Is any consideration being given to reducing the branch Poppy Fund assessment for this year?

Branches are concerned that fund raising during the 2020 Campaign will not be as successful as past years and that they will have difficulty meeting their obligations to veterans, dependents and the community in 2021. As such, some branches have been conservative in their disbursement of Poppy Funds while they wait to see what the Poppy campaign will look like under Covid-19 conditions.

Being conservative with disbursements means that there will likely be more funds remaining in branch Poppy Fund accounts on September 30th than in the past. Consequently, more assessment will be payable. A reduction to 5% of the Poppy Fund balance on September 30th, would show branches that there is concern for their ability to support veterans in their communities but not adversely affect the operation of the Command.

Based on the 2019 Command financial statement, a reduction of /to 5% would mean about \$33,500 less income. However, this loss should be offset by Fund surplus, which was \$29,000 in 2019, \$3,000 in Service Officer expenses for training which was not conducted this year and \$12,000 in bursaries which are no longer awarded (Council meeting Feb 22nd 2020).

The Poppy Fund Assessment is a NS-NU Bylaw. Nonetheless, experience has shown that it is possible to suspend or modify bylaws in unusual situations. This year's Poppy Campaign will be stressful and unusual thus warranting a change. Considering the matter now, would allow the Command Poppy Fund financials, for year to date, to be consulted and would permit any decision in favour of the proposal, to be announced with the directions given to branches regarding the submission of their Branch Poppy Fund Report for 2019-2020.

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: Clark E. Wolfe

District: G

Date: August 26, 2020

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

Zone: _____	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Zone: _____	Yes	<input 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.

No meetings have been held since the March shutdown due to Covid19 concerns.

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

No events have been held since the March shutdown due to Covid19 concerns.

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.

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.



Nunavut District G Report

September 2020

Executive Council Meeting

Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command

Dartmouth, Nova-Scotia

19-Sep-2020

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 remain suspended but Branch #168, is maintaining the operation of the Cadet hall.

Branch Activities:

None.

Branch 168:

As ordered by the Nunavut Health Department the Branch closed on March 22nd. Some thirty two people were laid off the next day. By the 24th of March our kitchen take-out operation was up and running. The revenues brought in have gone a long way to assist in the payment of the monthly fixed costs. The bar re-opened in accordance with Health Department orders on June 22nd. We are open from 12:00 till 14:00 each lunchtime and open from 17:00 to 21:00 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays. Hours are being extended on Wednesday and Fridays depending on the crowd. As we can not have dancing on the main floor, we do not draw the mainstay younger crowd on Fridays and Saturdays. Our karaoke night is also not permitted under the regulations. While our wing night and steak nights are very popular, it is the food sales that our now our bread and butter versus beer and alcohol sales. The games room is unable to operate under the health restrictions imposed by the Government and the quiet lounge has also been closed. It is a balance between the cost of operating versus sales. So, we are just operating in the main lounge, at half capacity, but it reduces the wages component, for supervisors, cleaning expenses etc. All in all, a very challenging time financially and requires constant vigilance to ensure that we remain viable. With the high costs associated with life in the Arctic (on 2 staff apartment Buildings, daycare, Cadet hall & Branch) this has proven challenging.



Nunavut District G Report

September 2020

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 remained closed between March 13, 2020 to June 23, 2020, during the re-opening phase our capacity dropped by 50% with (40 people max including staff), our hours of operation were from Wednesday to Saturday from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This remained in effect until July 22, 2020.

Between July 22, 2020 to today our hours of operation are now back to normal Wednesday to Saturday from 7:30 pm to 12:30 am, the capacity remains at 50% with the Government of Nunavut regulations following covid-19 precautions. The last 5 months have impacted the Legion in Rankin Inlet, but we are working with what we can and continuing to move forward.

Our insurance renewal is another story, we are frustrated with our current insurer in that despite the restricted operating environment they have proven unwilling to adjust premiums to reflect our reduced seating capacity and the adverse impact that is having on branch revenues. In fact our insurer increased our annual premium this year despite the fact we were closed for nearly three months by a pandemic related Public Health Order and the possibility we could potentially be shut down again dependent on how things go in the fall. Branch 169 has never filed a claim against our insurance nor have we ever been sued. Upon our request NS/NU Command directed us to another potential insurance agency. "Programmed Insurance Brokers" who provide coverage for a number of other Branch's across the country but despite providing them with the requested Branch 169 information we never heard back from them. Anyway, at this point we have decided to pay the \$10,000 premium to our exiting carrier HUB International this year.

We are holding our AGM in October, date to be set at our September monthly meeting. The positions of President and Treasurer are up for election this year. I have included Darrin Nichol, Treasurer in this email, Comrade Nichol has been a huge asset to Branch #169 since we re-opened in 2016, after being closed for two years he also served on the Executive when the branch 1st opened 27 years ago. I hope Comrade Nichol stays on with the Executive, his valuable historical information on Branch #169 and his expertise and knowledge on the finances and operations of Branch #169 cannot go unnoticed.

My term as President since 2016 has been the most rewarding experience, I have worked with many different executive members over the last four years but there are three main people who have stayed on (Comrades Nichol, Wyatt & Karlik) each year a new executive member brings new ideas and support to Branch #169. I am not sure if I will run again in the October elections, I am still undecided. I have sat on the Legion Executive in various positions since 2003, taking two years off in 2013-14 for maternity leave. It was between 2015-2016 when the Legion officially closed its doors due to an older unusable building, and I would like to mention President Karlik at the time tried so hard to keep the Legion open but it just couldn't happen.

My September District Report is short and sweet this time, with Covid-19 we have so many unknowns and it is hard to predict our future. We have been lucky in Nunavut so far, with no positive cases. I hope it



Nunavut District G Report

September 2020

continues to stay that way.

Regards;

Pelagie Sharp, President Branch #169

Yours in Comradeship,

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

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Appeal Committee Report To Executive Council
September 19, 2020

Comrades,

There were no Appeal to report since our last Executive Council Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

Mel Crowe

Chairman

The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Assistance Fund
Report to Executive Council
September 19, 2020

The NS/NU Command Benevolent Committee has reviewed 9 applications for benevolent assistance since our last meeting in May.

One (1) application we were unable to assist, two (2) were temporarily homeless.

One was referred to The Royal Canadian Naval Benevolent Fund, while another was a Joint effort between NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund and the Royal Canadian Naval Benevolent Fund, one (1) was a joint effort between NS/NU Command and The Royal Canadian Naval Benevolent Fund. One (1) Application was referred to a Branch.

Comrades, Donations to the Benevolent fund have, as has everything been affected by the on-set of Covet-19, please keep the Command Benevolent in mind if it is at all possible.

Comrades, as Chairman of the Committee on behalf of Committee members and the entire membership I would again like to thank our Executive director and our Command Service Officer's for their dedication to the Veterans of this Command.

Respectively Submitted

Mel Crowe

Chairman

Scholarship and Bursary Report
The Royal Canadian Legion
NS/NU Command
September 19, 2020

Even in the midst of the pandemic, we received a large number of applications for the N.S./NU Command scholarships and bursaries in 2020.

There were 26 successful candidates for the following awards:

6 winners of the Wales Scholarship at \$1000
10 winners of the Elsie Jean Lambert at \$500
10 winners of the Trust 1 (former Branch 25) at \$500

I would like to thank the staff for the outstanding job in organizing the applications under the minimal manning operations at Command this spring.

All cheques have been sent to the institution of higher learning for the winners.

Respectfully submitted,



Marion Fryday-Cook
Scholarship and Bursary Chair
The Royal Canadian Legion
NS/NU Command

Cadet Medal of Excellence Report

Chairman: Don McCumber

As previously reported, the committee has reviewed the applications and recipients' names have been sent to the Regional Cadet Support Unit. (Atlantic)

We are still waiting for instructions on the procedure for presentations of the Cadet Medal of Excellence as set up by the Cadet Organization.

In the meantime, the medals are being held at the Command office. As soon as we are given instructions, we will send the medals out to the various Branches.

Branches can also be kept up to date through their local cadet units as to how the program will unfold.

Regards

Don McCumber

Chairman

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command

Constitution and Bylaw Report

September 19, 2020

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 via Zoom May 30th, 2020 . We will meet again September 14th via Zoom as well.

Discussed at the May meeting was as follows:

At the request of Executive Council, the Committee reviewed the name of the Liquor and Gaming Act to reflect cannabis: we reviewed Article V11 Item 704A of the NS/NU Command Bylaws.

<u>Existing:</u>	<u>Proposed Change/Amendment</u>
<u>Article VII- Item 704A Committees</u>	<u>Article VII- Item 704A Committees</u>
<u>Standing Committees of the Command shall be:</u>	<u>Standing Committees of the Command shall be:</u>
Appeals, Bursary, Constitution & By-Laws, Finance & Building, Sports, Public Relations, Membership, Poppy Complaints, Liquor & Gaming Act, Honours and Awards, Youth, Leadership & Development, Legion Leadership & Development, Veterans Services, Seniors & Legislation, Personnel Committee, Veterans Outreach, Grand Parade	Appeals, Bursary, Constitution & By-Laws, Finance & Building, Sports, Public Relations, Membership, Poppy Complaints, Alcohol and Gaming , Honours and Awards, Youth, Leadership & Development, Legion Leadership & Development, Veterans Services, Seniors & Legislation, Personnel Committee, Veterans Outreach, Grand Parade

The Committee reviewed 10 Branch requests to amend their By-laws. Twenty-seven amendments were successfully **approved**, and thirteen amendments were **not approved**. All Branches have been notified of the results. The Committee requests that District Commanders and Zone Commanders advise the Branches that proper forms must be utilized as well as proper form.

Respectively Submitted,

Donna McRury

Chairman

Constitution and Bylaw Committee

**Nova Scotia/Nunavut Provincial Command Representative
Comrade George DellaValle for Defence and Security**

D&S Committee on Defense and Security

Greetings Comrades

I have nothing to report at this time.

Comrade George DellaValle

NS/NU Command's Correspondents report

For Sept 2020 Executive Council Meeting

14 photos were sent to the Legion Magazine since the last report , these consisted of successful Bursary Recipients , Remembrance ceremonies of specific war events , Swearing in ceremonies , Tulip Gardens and Donation presentations .

Some photos had to be returned due to low pixel count and most Branches resent the photos with the correct amount in order to go thru the Portal and be recognizable when published .

Bursary pictures were not as readily available this year as in years past due to the grad ceremonies and the restrictions , but some branches managed to sent a few in and they were sent off to the magazine and were approved .

Remember 1350 x 1350 is the pixel count for photos going thru the portal – cameras and cell-phones can be set to this pixel count – and we need to know the names of the people in the photos in order as they appear , and their titles .

Keep sending in your photos to honour your Branch , your Comrades and your Community .

Legions are opening with a new norm , but remember we still need to capture those images that make the Legion a valuable part of its community and to honour our Veterans

Stay safe

Rita Connors

NS/NU Command Correspondent

Membership Report September 19th, 2020

- So far this year NS/NU) 16,879 paid members, now from last year by 2655 members
- Total members 231,135 processed, down from last year by 6.1%
- Processed 21,266 new members. (the new 1-year members is include here)
- Processed 2,217 new 1-year free memberships.
- Processed 2,092 deceased members

Dominion Website Update

- 47,827 members have now created an online profile (allowing them to renew online).
- We currently have 36.2% of all active member email addresses.
- 1,243 Branches (90%) have logged on to the membership website.
- 95.3% of Branches have supplied their Branch rate allowing their members to renew online
- 63.4% of Branches are fully processing members on the portal.

Lorne MacDonald

Membership Chairman

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command

Personnel Committee

September 19th, 2020

Committee Members:

Comrade Donna McRury	Chairman
Comrade President Marion Fryday-Cook	NS/NU President
Comrade Mervin Steadman	Member
Comrade Conrad Gilbert	Member
Comrade Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte	Secretary

Good morning Comrades, I hope everyone is staying safe during these trying times.

In June of 2020 the Personnel Committee recommended to the Executive Council to combine the Bookkeeper and Clerk to one full time position of Bookkeeper/ Clerk . The Personnel Committee wishes to thank the Executive Council for their approval of the recommendation.

On July 16th, we the Committee conducted the interviews for the Bookkeeper/Clerk position. The Committee upon completing the interviews were successful in filling the position. Our Bookkeeper/ Clerk is Anne MacGregor and we welcome her to The Royal Canadian Legion, Nova Scotia Nunavut Command. Comrade Ken Guitard is in the process of transitioning to retirement. We would like to wish Comrade Ken all the best as he moves into a well deserve retirement.

All daily operations are running smoothly under the direction of the Executive Director, Comrade Valerie Mitchell- Veinotte .All staff are paying close attention to the restrictions put in place due to Covid 19. I would like to thank the committee for their great teamwork. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to past Committee Chairman Comrade Karen Lynch for the guidance and support she continues to give when called upon.

Respectively submitted,

Ms. Donna McRury

Chairman,

Personnel Committee

Poppy/Remembrance Report- September 19/2020

Chairman: Don McCumber

Comrades, this years Poppy Campaign will certainly be one that will be different and challenging from all others. All Branches will be compelled to comply with the guidelines as set out by the N.S.Public Health Authority.

I have been in discussion with the Nova Scotia Liquour Commission and an all Branch mailing was sent out. Basically, boxes will be allowed at the checkouts and will have to be emptied and replenished on a regular basis. A letter to exempt the NSLC from liability of the boxes will have to be given to the location manager. Poppies cannot be distributed in the stores or tables set up as in the past. The various store managers will be notified from head office of this arrangement.

I have heard that some of the local businesses are not allowing boxes and distribution of poppies in their establishments.

There has been a directive sent out that cadets will not be allowed to assist with the Local Branch poppy campaigns. This is unfortunate but understandable due to the current covid situation. We will miss their valued contribution.

It is most important that we ensure that the Branch Poppy Chairman has received the information sent to the Branches from Dominion and Provincial Command. We also need to inform the public of the procedures that will be followed for Branch Remembrance Services.

On another issue, letters and notices (3 in some cases) have been sent to Branches requiring clarification on their yearly Poppy Reports. Follow up is taking place by phone and trust we will have all information in shortly. Again, it is important that the Poppy Chairman be informed and knowledgeable on filling out this report.

On October 20th, Comrade Executive Director, Valerie and I will make presentation to the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs at Province House to discuss the Poppy and Remembrance Program.

In conclusion, Branches need to be aware that applications can still be made through the Special Use Application process and that any assistance needed is available to them through the Provincial Command Office.

Regards

DonMcCumber/Chairman

Poppy and Remembrance Committee

PRO Report

Executive Council September 2020

I took part in the PRO teleconference in June. PR training is still on hold but will be held online in the future. There was much discussion about the need to get the word out that the legion continues to support Veterans and their families during this pandemic.

I was interviewed with the National Executive Director Steven Clark on Maritime Noon and we discussed the National as well as the Maritime slant of the Legion and the impact of the Covid -19 pandemic on the ability of branches to reopen and operate as a community based organization. We discussed the good things that are still ongoing to support our Veterans and their families.

With the announcement of the LCAP grants last week, I was interviewed on the radio several occasions to discuss the Legion's involvement. The reporter asked if this was a new initiative just because of the Covid-19 crisis. I explained that we have received the \$100,000 grant for more than 10 years and the good work that this grant does to help branches complete capital building projects.

The reports coming out from DEC are sent out through email, Facebook avenues and AMBOs. As they become available, these reports are then sent out through the chain of command to branches.

Respectfully Submitted

Marion Fryday-Cook

Chairman

PRO

Nova Scotia Nunavut Command

Ritual, Awards and Protocol

September 19th, 2020

Committee Members:

Comrade Donna McRury	Chairman
Comrade President Marion Fryday-Cook	NS/NU President
Comrade Mervin Steadman	Member
Comrade Cliff Laurin	Member
Comrade Jane Scott	Secretary

Good morning Comrades,

Since our last Executive Council meeting, our Committee continues to be scheduled for a meeting each month. An ABMO continues to be sent out at the beginning of each month notifying all Branches. Due to Covid 19 with respect to Branches not holding regular meetings, we have had no submissions for June and July.

For the month of August, the meeting was not slated as we initially planned to be at Dominion Command Convention. The awards for the members in the Holding Branch have been passed out to the District Commanders.

While Covid 19 has put some limitations on the presentation of the awards, we are hopeful that by our Executive Council meeting in September that all awards will be completed. The submissions from Branches have certainly improved, the information being submitted is in great detail.

Thank you is extended to the Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee for their continued dedication, making sure that all awards are carefully monitored.

Respectively submitted,

Ms. Donna McRury

Chairman,

Ritual, Awards and Protocol

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman – George Della Valle

Member – Conrad Gilbert

Member – Ken Ilnitski

Secretary – Valerie Mitchell – Veinotte

Comrades,

I have received no new Resolutions since the last Council meeting.

Due to the rescheduling of the Dominion Convention to 2021 the deadline for National Command to receive resolutions from the provincial Commands has now been changed to **24 April 2021**. NS/NU Command Branches will be notified of deadline for submission for decision of NS/NU Command Convention and those for consideration of Dominion Convention in due course. All resolutions submitted so far will remain on file for consideration for 2021. Please note the following in regard to the resolution process:

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions to be dealt with at convention:

- shall be submitted from a branch through the respective Provincial Command (*Subsection 919.a*).
- may be submitted by a branch or branches, command or standing committee of Dominion Command (*Subsection 919.b*).
- must be received at Dominion Command at least 112 days prior to the opening of the convention -(*Subsection 919.c*).

Respectfully Submitted

George Della Valle

Chairman

STANDARDIZED BY-LAWS FOR BRANCHES
AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORT
TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 19 SEPTEMBER 2020

Comrades, I will keep this report short as there has been little action regarding these bylaws since my last report.

Since May the committee received questions/comments from branch #80, branch #9 and Zone 15. Most comments to date have been positive towards the implementation of these standardized bylaws with the exception of branch #9 who have indicated they will present arguments against their implementation.

The timeline originally presented to Council in February 2020 has been maintained to date and the following requirements still need to be actioned:

- A final report, with an accompanying resolution will be submitted to Executive Council in February 2021 for acceptance.
- If the by-laws and resolution are accepted by Council in February, both will be presented to the delegates at the 2021 Command convention for ratification.

I understand that the agenda for this Council meeting will include a debate regarding the pros and cons of holding the 2021 convention, or postponing until a later date. The above remaining actions are dependant upon the results of Council's decision.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Wessel, Ad-Hoc Committee Chairman

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

Veterans Outreach Committee

George DellaValle Chairman

Don McCumber Member

Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte Member

The Veterans Outreach Programs of NS/NU Command It has been determined by Paws Fur Thought and C.A.R.E.S. of Kansas that, due to serious safety concerns, all pairings with service dogs are moved to May 2021. Paws Fur Thought is in the very preliminary stage of preparing for the creation of a stand alone charitable organization.

Heroes Mending on the Fly, financially supported by NS/NU Command, managed to carry off their annual fishing trip to the Margaree area, HMOTF NS Margaree trip 21-23 August 2020, HMOTF NS, was finally able to coord and facilitate our annual fishing trip to the Margaree River with both our Valley and HRM groups. 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 our guide, Paddy Poirier from Poirier's guiding, we switched focus to fishing the salt chuck for stripers. In addition to Paddy, we had fly fishers international qualified casting instructors Lewis Hinks and Rene Aucoin , spend the day with us Saturday while continuing one on one instruction with our participants. Many Bass were caught and released by the group. We were housed and fed through the Normaway Inn, which once again, was fantastic with excellent food. A huge shout out to NS/Nunavut Command, RCL for their support as we could not do this without them. Our trip was a huge success with camaraderie high through true "Mending on the Fly"

The Veteran Farm Project will wrap up another highly successful season with the delivery of Thanksgiving boxes to all participants early October.

The OSISS Peer Co-ordinator based in Halifax is interested in standing up an Operation Vet Build Program the first in the HRM when safe to do so, with the possibility of expansion in other parts of the province. The intention would be to link the OSISS groups with local Branches to host the programs. The Cape Breton based Operation Vet Build took the summer off and are ready to start again the first Tuesday in October. Over the summer we were able to get some funding and with the help of Our President Comrade Marion were able to purchase 25 new NASCAR models. We are looking to expand as I have gotten 5 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 new members are always welcomed.

The OSISS Family Co-ordinators are working on group programming to be delivered via video conferencing given current health concerns and challenges in bringing people together in person.

Respectfully Submitted

George Della Valle

Chairman

VETERANS SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK
REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 19 SEPTEMBER 2020

Comrades, I will keep this report short.

As per info received from our Executive Director, revenue figures for the 2020 VSRB edition stand at \$60,871.25 as of the end of August. Please be aware that final revenue figures for the 2020 edition will most likely be lower than normal due to the interruption of many businesses caused by the Covid19 pandemic.

Content for our 2020 edition is currently being edited. I would like to acknowledge multiple contributions from Comrades Don McCumber and Marion Fryday-Cook. The deadline for submissions for the 2020 edition, Volume 16, ended 31 August 2020 so please inform your branches that any submissions received after that date will not be printed until 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Wessel, VSRB Chairman / Editor