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## All Branch Mail Out #88

**Date:** October 18, 2023

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

**From:** Comrade Craig Hood CD  
Executive Director  
NS/NU Command, RCL

**Subject:** NS/NU Command Executive Council Meeting  
Minutes September 30, 2023

**Message:** Comrades: On behalf of NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young please find attached Executive Council Meeting Minutes, September 30, 2023

**The Royal Canadian Legion  
Nova Scotia /Nunavut Command  
Executive Council Meeting Minutes  
September 30, 2023**

**In Attendance:**

Don McCumber	President
George Della Valle	1st Vice President
Harry Jackson	2nd Vice President
Conrad Gilbert	Treasurer
Tom Young	Chairman
Donna McRury	Immediate Past President
Clarence Dawe	Commander District A
Lorne MacDonald	Commander District B
Robert Hoeg	Commander District C
Donald Stansbury	Commander District D
André Boudreau	Commander District E
Joanne Geddes	Commander District F
Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte	Executive Director
Craig Hood	Executive Director (incoming)
Jane Scott	Recording Secretary

**Present for Report:**

Lorena Forrest	Command Service Officer
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**Observers:**

Ken Babcock	Commander Zone 8
Ron Langevin	Commander Zone 13
Larry MacDonald	Commander Deputy Zone 14

**Regrets**

Cliff Laurin	Commander District G
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NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young called the meeting to order at approximately 8.30 am.

**1. Opening Ritual**

NS/NU Command 1st Vice President George Della Valle conducted the Opening Ritual.

**2. Land Acknowledgement (Truth and Reconciliation Day)**

NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young acknowledged the land and the day being Truth and Reconciliation Day.

**3. Procedures**

NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young reviewed the meeting's procedures.

**4. Call for Additions to the Agenda**

NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young called for additions to the agenda.

- Branch 144 - funding assistance to be added to Other Business
- Grand Parade Remembrance Ceremony

**5. Service Officer Report**

NS/NU Command Service Officer Lorena Forrest referred the meeting to the submitted report.

**M-1**

Moved by Comrade Stansbury, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the Service Officer Report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young excused Comrade Lorena Forrest from the meeting.

## 6. Minutes of Executive Council Meetings

NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young called for errors and omissions from the minutes of the Executive Council Meeting of May 20, 2023.

### M-2

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the minutes of the Executive Council meeting of May 20, 2023 be adopted as distributed.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young called for errors and omissions from the minutes of the Executive Council Meeting of May 23, 2023.

### M-3

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the minutes of the Executive Council meeting of May 23, 2023 be adopted as distributed.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

## 7. Business Arising from the Minutes

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber distributed and outlined information on a Designated Community Fund Project that has been adopted by The Municipality of Chester to assist organizations within their communities to raise funds where they are unable to issue receipts for donations. He encouraged Zone and District Commanders

to take the information to their own councils to see if similar projects could be established.

## **8. Ratification of NS/NU Command Committees**

### **M-4**

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Geddes.

That the proposed NS/NU Command Committee List for the term of 2023-2025 be ratified.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

### **M-5**

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Della Valle.

That the Veterans' Outreach Committee Members be amended to include Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte as a Committee Member.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

### **M-6**

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Jackson.

That the amended NS/NU Command Committee List for 2023-2025 be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

**9. President's Remarks and Report**

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber referred the meeting to the submitted report.

**M-7**

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the President's Report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

**8. D.E.C Report**

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber informed the meeting of no report at this time. The next D.E.C. meeting is scheduled for November 2023.

**9. Finance Report**

NS/NU Command Finance Committee George Della Valle referred the meeting to the submitted report.

**M-8**

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

## 11. Treasurer's Report

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert provided the meeting with a verbal report. He informed the meeting that many branches are not meeting the 45 day submittal deadline for Branch Monthly Financial Reports. As of the September deadline, 37 branches had 1 month outstanding, 14 branches had 2 months, 7 branches had 3 or more months, 1 branch had 5 months and 1 branch had 6 months. He will therefore be coordinating with District Commanders before communicating directly with the branches concerned.

He informed the meeting that GIC 1176 with the initial investment of \$50,000 has matured with \$2,000 of interest.

### M-11

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the \$50,000 be reinvested in a GIC at a rate of 5.65% for 13 months and that the interest earned from GIC 1176 be allocated to Veteran Outreach.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

NS/NU Command Treasurer informed the meeting that the rates of travel increase as of October 1st, 2023, and to therefore use the respective travel expense claim forms relating to the date of travel. Both forms were provided.

### M-12

Moved by Comrade Gilbert, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the verbal report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

## 12. Correspondence

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte thanked the meeting for allowing her to represent NS/NU Command at the Tribute to Paws Fur Thought in Kingston, Ontario. This provided her with the opportunity to address Legionnaires and individuals from coast to coast to coast on NS/NU Command's initiative to be the first to provide service dogs to veterans with PTSD.

All other correspondence has been dealt with in the day-to-day business of NS/NU Command.

## 13. Executive Director's Report

NS/NU Command Executive Director (incoming) Craig Hood referred the meeting to the submitted report.

### M-13

Moved by Comrade Dawe, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

## 14. Electronic Voting

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte referred the meeting to the list circulated:

GIC Renewal (3) May 30, 2023	carried
Pres. NB Convention June 13, 2023	carried
Bequest Investment August 08, 2023	carried
Temporary Increase Base Rate Accommodation Expense	carried



## 15. District Reports

*NS/NU Command Chairman Comrade Tom Young reminded the meeting that reports submitted after the deadline would not be included on the agenda of Executive Council Meetings.*

### **District B**

NS/NU Command District B Commander Lorne MacDonald referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that one Branch is having difficulties in putting an executive in place.

### **District C**

NS/NU Command District C Commander Robert Hoeg referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that a District meeting is scheduled for the end of October. There is still a vacancy for the Zone 7 Commander position.

### **District D**

NS/NU Command District D Commander Donald Stansbury referred the meeting to the submitted report.

### **M-14**

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

That the District Reports be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

*NS/NU Command Chairman Tom Young outlined that District reports submitted past the deadline could be circulated with the minutes.*

## 16. Committee Reports

### Appeals Committee

NS/NU Command Appeals Committee Chair Donna McRury referred the meeting to the submitted report.

#### **M-15**

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Geddes.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

### Benevolent Fund

NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund Committee Chairman (interim) Donna McRury referred the meeting to the submitted report.

#### **M-16**

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Geddes.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

*Comrade Donna McRury assumed the Chair.*

### Complaints

NS/NU Command Complaints Committee Chair Tom Young (interim) referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that Dominion Command are reviewing

Article III: Complaints committees across the Commands have submitted recommendations for change.

**M-17**

Moved by Comrade Young, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

*Comrade Tom Young assumed the Chair.*

Constitution & Bylaws

NS/NU Command Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chairman George Della Valle referred the meeting to the submitted report. He outlined the recommendation to amend the Terms of Reference for the NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund.

**M-18**

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Geddes.

That the recommendation of the NS/NU Command Constitution and Law Committee to update the Terms of Reference for NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund Committee to include Veterans' Peer and Transition Programs be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

He informed the meeting that currently there are no Terms of Reference for NS/NU Command for the position of Sergeant at Arms. He referred the meeting to the Terms of Reference provided by a Branch Service Officer.

**M-19**

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the recommendation by NS/NU Command Constitution and Law Committee to add the submitted Terms of Reference for Sergeant at Arms to the NS/NU Command Policy Book and to create a pamphlet be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

Ritual, Awards & Protocol

NS/NU Command Ritual, Awards and Protocol Chair Harry Jackson referred the meeting to the submitted report.

**M-20**

Moved by Comrade Jackson, seconded by Comrade Hoeg.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

Membership

NS/NU Command Membership Committee Chair (interim) Lorne MacDonald referred the meeting to the submitted report.

**M-21**

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade McRury

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

## Personnel

*Recording ceased.*

The Recording Secretary was provided with no information on the Personnel Committee Report.

### **M-22**

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the Personnel Report be accepted as read.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

*The meeting recessed at approx. 12:00pm*

*The meeting resumed at approx. 1:00pm*

*Recording resumed.*

*NS/NU Command Immediate Past President Donna McRury assumed the Chair.*

## Public Relations

NS/NU Command Public Relations Committee Chair Tom Young referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that we have just come to the end of National Legion Week and encouraged all to provide information on activities that have been held at branches.

**M-23**

Moved by Comrade Young, seconded by Comrade Stansbury

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

*Comrade Young assumed the Chair.*

Sports

NS/NU Command Sports Committee Chair Robert Hoeg (interim) referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that he will report further on Track and Field at the next meeting as he is awaiting some reports. He also thanked NS/NU Command Track and Field Representative Harry Jackson for attending the Track and Field event in Quebec.

He also reported that \$6,000 was raised for the NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund at the Frank Deschenes Golf Tournament in Amherst.

**M-24**

Moved by Comrade Hoeg, seconded by Comrade Jackson.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

Veterans' Outreach

NS/NU Command Veterans' Outreach Committee Chairman George Della Valle referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that 3 locations have been added to Heroes Mending on the Fly: Cheticamp, Isle Madame and Truro. There are

close to 40 new veterans taking part each year. Buddy Check Coffee and Operation VetBuild are expanding with over 50 percent participating.

**M-25**

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade McRury.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

Veterans' Service Recognition Book

NS/NU Chairman Tom Young referred the meeting to the submitted report.

**M-26**

Moved by Comrade Dawe, seconded by Comrade Geddes.

That the submitted report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber encouraged the meeting to submit any photos and write-ups of community banner projects to VSRB Editor Comrade Steve Wessel for submission.

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber informed the meeting of the notification received that cadets are no longer able to participate at any event where alcohol is being consumed. He highlighted that this will therefore have a large impact with assistance being provided at Remembrance dinners etc. He proposed reaching out to the Presidents of the 3 cadet leagues to see if they were agreeable to liaise with the NS/NU Command on this issue.

NS/NU Poppy and Remembrance Chairman Clarence Dawe reminded all that the Poppy Campaign begins on the last Friday of October: Friday 27th October 2023. He also outlined that the new entry forms for the National Youth Contests must be used as any old forms submitted will not be accepted.

Discussion ensued around the Tap and Pay Tribute boxes. Concerns were expressed around the delay in payments from Dominion to the respective branches. It was outlined that the last few years have been trial years and therefore Dominion is striving for there to be less delay moving forward.

## **17. Scheduled Business**

### Branch 074

*NS/NU Command Chair Tom Young requested that the observers leave the meeting.*

NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte referred the meeting to the submitted information and request from Branch 074. She called upon Comrades Gilbert, Jackson and Stansbury to speak to the vision, plans and long-term goals for the branch.

*NS/NU Command Executive Director (incoming) Craig Hood - read from The Act of Incorporation Section 3 regarding Provincial Command and Dominion not being liable for the debts of any branch.*

### **M-27**

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the request from Branch 074 Dr. C.B Lumsden be approved provided the signed minutes of the meeting whereby the membership supported the proposal be received by NS/NU Command.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**



Increase Officers Allowance

NS/NU Command District A Commander Clarence Dawe requested that an increase to the Officer's allowance be considered.

**M-28**

Moved by Comrade Dawe, seconded by Comrade MacDonald.

That the Officer's allowance be looked into by the NS/NU Command Treasurer.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

Cobequid Veterans Memorial Park Society

NS/NU Command District C Commander Robert Hoeg distributed to the meeting a copy of an e-mail he had received from The Chair of the Cobequid Veterans Memorial Park Society Board of Directors requesting that NS/NU Command consider the procurement and upkeep of the site as it currently sits on leased property.

**M-29**

Moved by Comrade Hoeg, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That NS/NU Command supports the society in their wishes but will not be purchasing the property or be in any way financially involved.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

## 18. Other Business

### Grand Parade

NS/NU Command District F Commander Joanne Geddes provided an update on the planning for the Grand Parade Remembrance Ceremony. She informed the meeting that as Committee Chair she is awaiting an upcoming meeting with the Base Chief's Office to discuss the location of the ceremony this year due to safety concerns around the encampment currently located around the cenotaph.

### Branch 144 Harding

NS/NU Command District E Commander André Boudreau requested through the Chair that Zone 13 Commander Ron Langevin inform the meeting of the funding issues at Branch 144 Harding. He explained that the branch was recently flooded and requires assistance to cover the \$10,000 deductible. NS/NU Command Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte explained that this type of expense is not budgeted under branch assistance.

### Building Committee Report

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

### **M-30**

Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the building report be accepted.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

### Presentation

Immediate Past President Donna McRury presented NS/NU Command with a quilt from The Fort Petrie Fortification Society in New Victoria in appreciation of their work supporting veterans.

### Veterans' Long Term Care Beds

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber relayed to the meeting that to change the current policy for entrance to long-term care beds is a long and difficult process. He would like to see a change to ensure that when beds become available that veterans that do not meet the current criteria are receiving the first offer of the beds. He requested that NS/NU Command Executive Director Craig Hood set up a meeting with the Minister of Health and Wellness, the Minister responsible for long term care and the Standing Committee Representative for veterans' beds from Veterans Affairs.

### District Commander and Zone Commander Reports

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber asked that District Commanders please include copies of the Zone Commander Reports and attach them to their District Report before the deadline for Executive Council meetings. Zone Reports will not be distributed with the agenda for Executive Council meetings but submittal will provide the Executive Director and President visibility of concerns within our branches.

### Inheritance

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber informed the meeting that the inheritance of \$332,540.63 bequeathed to NS/NU Command has been invested for a 13-month term. He will be setting up an ad-hoc committee, (which will be the current Finance Committee), to receive submissions on areas where the funds could be used. He asked the District Commanders to seek input for suggestions that will assist Veterans' Programs and our veterans in general. Input from Command Standing Committees will also be sought. The deadline for written submissions will be January 15, 2023.

### Branch Guidance Standing Committee

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber recommended that a Branch Guidance Standing Committee be established to work in conjunction with the Zone and District Commanders to provide specific guidance to branches at the request of the Branch, Zone or District.

### **M-31**

Moved by Comrade McCumber, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That a Branch Guidance Standing Committee be formed.

12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

**19. President's Closing Remarks**

NS/NU Command President Don McCumber thanked all for attending the meeting.

**20. Motion For Adjournment**

**M-32**

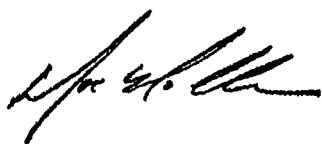
Moved by Comrade Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Dawe.

That the meeting be adjourned at 2.45pm.


12 Affirmative  
0 Abstention  
0 Opposed  
**Motion Carried**

**21. Closing Ritual**

The Closing Ritual was conducted by NS/NU Command 2nd Vice Harry Jackson.



Don McCumber  
President  
Nova Scotia Nunavut Command  
The Royal Canadian Legion



Craig Hood  
Executive Director  
Nova Scotia Nunavut Command  
The Royal Canadian Legion

## Veterans Services Report

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Veterans Services deals with Veterans Affairs Canada disability benefits application, reviews/appeals.

### **In 2023 (2023-01-01 to 2023-09-25):**

- We are handling 672 Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) files (note 1)
- We made 3 home visits (note 2)
- We have had 203 favorable and 44 unfavorable VAC disability claim decisions.
- We have had 52 VAC disability claims withdrawn (note 3)
- We were responsible for over \$15,675,448.00 million dollars awarded. Which is the equivalent to financial lump sums for VAC disability claims. 13 new monthly pensions and increases. As important to these monetary pay outs are the medical benefits given to each person for the rest of their life.

### **In 2022:**

- We handled 636 Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) files (note 1)
- We made 70 home visits (note 2)
- We had 215 favorable and 24 unfavorable VAC disability claim decisions.
- We had 70 VAC disability claims withdrawn (note 3)
- We were responsible for over \$14,864,868.27 dollars awarded. Which is the equivalent to financial lump sums for VAC disability claims., 5 new monthly pensions and 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.

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 our last report, our Command Service Officers:**

We have slowly started to reconnect with some of our network partners and connect with new ones too such as the Transitions Centres on the bases around the province now that Covid restrictions are no longer and in person work resumes. Together we have been able to better facilitate the transitions of those who in need of disability claim services as they prepare to release from Military service. We attended the first Bi-Annual Service Officer Professional Development training since Covid shut it down. Held in Charlottetown, PEI from March 27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> and it was a great success with lots of great new information on the changes happening and those to come with VAC. This had been cancelled twice by COVID and once by hurricane Fiona. The Eastern Regional Service Professional Development Seminar has not yet been restarted, but we are in works of preparing for the next session of training. As we were unable to conduct any Branch Service Officer training in the field, we have uploaded a NEW training video. This session was recorded and is available on the command web site: <http://www.ns.legion.ca/index.php/branch-resources/branch-service-officer-training>. You can contact either Command Service Officer for the login and password.

On behalf of the Command Service Officers, we would like to thank all Branch Service Officers and their teams for their dedication to the service of all our veterans. The Executive Council for their unwavering support. The work of Veterans services would not be accomplished without all your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken M. George, CD  
Command Service Officer  
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

Lorena Forrest  
Command Service Officer  
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

**Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Committee List 2023-2025**

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**APPEALS**

Donna McRury - Chairman  
Harry Jackson - Member  
Larry McDonald – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

**BENEVOLENT FUND**

Donna McRury - Chairman  
Craig Hood – Member  
Command Service Officer - Secretary

**BURSARY**

Joanne Geddes - Chairman  
Craig Hood - Member  
Clerk-Secretary

**CONSTITUTION & LAW**

George Della-Valle - Chairman  
Harry Jackson - Member  
Tom Young - Member  
Cliff Laurin – Member  
Marion Fryday-Cook - Member  
Administrative Assistant - Secretary

**CAMP HILL REPRESENTATIVE**

Command Chaplain Steven Cochrane  
District F Commander Joanne Geddes

**COMMAND CHAPLAIN**

Padre Steven Cochrane

**COMMAND GRAND PRESIDENT**

Wilfred Edmond

**COMMAND HONOURARY PRESIDENT**

Dave Blanchard

**COMMAND TRUSTEES**

Steve Wessel - Chairman  
Marion Fryday-Cook – Member  
Mel Crowe - Member

**COMPLAINTS**

Tom Young - Chairman  
Conrad Gilbert – Member  
Tom McCormack - Member  
Craig Hood – Secretary  
*Members in Waiting – Wilson MacDonald,  
John Leyte*

**FINANCE and Building**

George Della Valle – Chairman  
Conrad Gilbert – Member  
Harry Jackson – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

Cliff Laurin – Chairman  
Glen Leduc – Member  
Tom Young – Member  
Donna McRury – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

**CADET MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE**

André Boudreau – Chairman  
Cliff Laurin – Member  
Wilson MacDonald – Member  
Clerk - Secretary

**LEGION MAGAZINE & NEWS CORRESPONDENT**

James Leadbeater

**ALCOHOL & GAMING**

Don Stansbury - Chairman  
Lorne MacDonald – Member  
Frank Story – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

**MEMBERSHIP**

Lorne MacDonald – Chairman  
Clinton Saulnier – Member  
Marion Fryday-Cook – Member  
Administrative Assistant - Secretary

**PERSONNEL**

George Della Valle – Chairman  
Harry Jackson – Member  
Conrad Gilbert – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

**POPPY & REMEMBRANCE**

Clarence Dawe - Chairman  
André Boudreau – Member  
Ron Langevin – Member  
Executive Director -  
Secretary

**PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Tom Young - Chairman  
Joanne Geddes – Member  
Craig Hood - Member  
Clerk - Secretary

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### **GRAND PARADE CEREMONY COMMITTEE**

Joanne Geddes – Chairman  
Tom Young – Member  
Larry McDonald – Member  
Glen Leduc – Member  
Bob Noakes – Member  
Dave Rhodenizer - Member

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Conrad Gilbert - Chairman  
Clinton Saulnier – Member  
Wilson MacDonald – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

### **RITUAL/AWARDS/PROTOCOL**

Harry Jackson – Chairman  
André Boudreau – Member  
Cliff Laurin – Member  
Donald Stansbury – Member  
Administrative Assistant -  
Secretary

### **SPORTS**

Robert Hoeg – Chairman  
Harry Jackson – Darts Coordinator  
Murray Dawson – Cribbage Coordinator  
Edgar Dowell – Eight Ball Coordinator  
Clerk - Secretary

### **VETERANS SERVICES & SENIORS**

John Langley – Member  
Dave Fletcher – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

### **VETERANS OUTREACH**

George Della Valle – Chairman  
Ken Babcock – Member  
Ron Langevin – Member  
Craig Hood – Member  
Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte - Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

### **NS/NU COMMAND CONVENTION**

Don McCumber – Chairman  
George Della-Valle – Member  
Tom Young – Member  
Executive Director - Secretary

### **SESSIONAL COMMITTEES**

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Conrad Gilbert

#### **WAYS AND MEANS**

George Della Valle

#### **PROCEDURE**

DC Representative

#### **CREDENTIALS**

Executive Director



Presidents' Report  
Executive Council Meeting                      September 30<sup>th</sup>. 2023

Comrades since being elected as President in May, I have attended a number of events throughout our Command.

I thank those Branches for the invitations and the hospitality shown to me. I recently attended the Provincial New Brunswick Command Convention and it gave me an opportunity to see first hand how another Command operates and to hear of the accomplishments and challenges within their Command. I look forward to my association with the newly elected President.

I wish to welcome Craig Hood our new Executive Director and look forward to working closely with him. To Comrade Valerie Mitchell-Vienotte, I thank her for her many years of dedicated service to our Command and her assistance during the transition period.

Our Command committees will be established at our Executive Council meeting and I thank all that have agreed to serve on these committees. I ask that you become familiar with the Terms of Reference for your committees as you move forward.

It is my intention to conduct a meeting to discuss the way ahead. I value the input from members of this council and feel it necessary for us to set priorities and objectives for the benefit of our Command.

I ask the District Commanders to submit the dates and location of the upcoming District meetings.

A submission from our Command was made to Dominion Command with regards to the complaint process. Information collected will be compiled and a future meeting will be held with all Constitution & By-Law Chairmen to review and discuss those submissions.

An ad hoc committee was formed to follow up on the decision at Convention to remove the three year requirement on the application for the Veterans' license plate. A request for removal has now been submitted to the Minister of Public Works. Thanks to Ad Hoc Chairman, Ken Babcock, Zone 8 Commander and his committee for their involvement.

In conclusion, I look forward to working with the appointed Committee Chairman and their members as we move forward to serve our Branches, ever keeping in mind our objective to serve our Veterans.

I thank our Staff for all of the assistance they provide in the overall operation of this Command. Their service is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted

Don McCumber  
President  
NS/NU Command  
The Royal Canadian Legion

## Building and Finance Report

Chairman George DellaValle, 1st VP

Don McCumber, President

Harry Jackson, 2nd VP

Conrad Gilbert, Treasurer

Executive Director Valerie Mitchell- Veinotte, Secretary

### Comrades

A conference call on Aug 15 was held with Chika Chiekwe, the lawyer for Cox and Plamer, Comrade President Don McCumber and myself were there to answer questions Ref the purchase agreement for a parcel of land owned by NS/NU Command of the Royal Canadian Legion and the Purchaser D&T Holdings LTD. Comrades we are waiting on the HRM, so this sale could take up to 6-8 months to complete. Further to the incident of June 01 whereby UPS delivery truck number 862507 unfortunately backed into an awning support post of our building, we are still waiting on the 2 quotes for the repair to the front entrance. The front door/main entrance is also in need of repair as any wind that blows in that direction now sets off the security alarm. The Maintenance of the building and grounds is monitored monthly by a check list to ensure that the building is safe and operational.

Monthly financial statements are being reviewed and copies are being sent to members of the Executive Committee. A Finance Committee zoom meeting was held on Aug 08/23 to discuss a donation in the amount of 332,540.63. It is currently deposited into the Benevolent Fund account. An electronic vote was conducted, and all members of EC voted in favor of the proposed action. With the understanding that an Ad Hoc committee will be formed as soon as possible to seek input from Executive Council and Zone Commanders on potential uses for the funds, the principal amount of \$332,540.63 be invested for a term of 13 months at an interest rate of 5.25% and that further, the Ad Hoc/Finance

committee will, upon completion of widest consultation, formulate a proposal to be submitted to the Finance Committee to be included in the 2024 proposed budget for Executive Council approval at its' meeting February 2024. The Finance Committee reviews all Command investments on a regular basis, and we have one currently that we must reinvest. All Maturing GIC's are monitored, and the best interest rates are sought out for your approval.

Respectfully Submitted

George DellaValle

Chairman Finance/Building

# RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

## General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)

July, 2023

YTD, 2023

Actual July      Budget July      Variance July, 2023

Actual YTD      Budget 2023      Variance YTD

\$ 372.30	\$ -	\$ (372.30)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 372.30	\$ -	\$ (372.30)

<b>5385</b>	Convention Cost	
	NS/NU Comm Convention Costs - General	
<b>5390</b>	Dominion Convention Costs - General	
	<b>Total Convention Cost</b>	

\$ 24,361.11	\$ 34,500.00	\$ (10,138.89)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 24,361.11	\$ 34,500.00	\$ (10,138.89)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 12.50	\$ (12.50)
\$ 325.00	\$ -	\$ 325.00
\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ (150.00)
\$ -	\$ 5.32	\$ (5.32)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 367.50	\$ (367.50)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ (10.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,144.77	\$ 950.00	\$ 194.77
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 166.67	\$ (166.67)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 106.40	\$ -	\$ 106.40
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 53.58	\$ 40.00	\$ 13.58
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,129.75	\$ 2,201.99	\$ (72.24)

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

\$ 1,437.76	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (562.24)
\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ (150.00)
\$ 5,173.62	\$ 13,650.00	\$ (8,476.38)
\$ 3,660.33	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (6,339.67)
\$ 136.92	\$ 100.00	\$ 36.92
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)
\$ 66.12	\$ 1,470.00	\$ (1,403.88)
\$ 1,283.40	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (216.60)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 85.00	\$ (85.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 5,369.65	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (4,630.35)
\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)
\$ 3,500.00	\$ 6,825.00	\$ (3,325.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,141.20	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (858.80)
\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ (150.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,093.37	\$ (1,093.37)
\$ 134.82	\$ 6,350.00	\$ (6,215.18)
\$ 909.60	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,090.40)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 216.60	\$ 500.00	\$ (283.40)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 23,030.02	\$ 60,623.37	\$ (37,593.35)

\$ 20,611.64	\$ 22,408.44	\$ (2,541.40)
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TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES

\$ 195,273.71	\$ 370,000.06	\$ (174,726.35)
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\$ (12,899.84)	\$ (19,563.44)	\$ 7,408.20
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Administration NET INCOME (LOSS)

\$ 78,392.49	\$ (79,851.81)	\$ 158,244.30
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command**  
**General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)**

**July, 2023**

**YTD, 2023**

Actual July	Budget July	Variance July, 2023
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,572.25	\$ 300.00	\$ 3,272.25
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 8.84	\$ -	\$ 8.84
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,678.13	\$ 1,545.00	\$ 1,133.13
\$ 1,452.58	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 452.58
\$ 7,711.80	\$ 2,845.00	\$ 4,866.80

**OPERATING REVENUE**

General Revenue	
4015	Percentage of Dominion Sales Revenue
4100	Taxable Command Supply Sale
4200	Interest Income
4250	Postage & Courier Income - (non-poppy)
4050	Miscellaneous Revenue
4280	Donation - Corporate - General
4350	NS/NU Convention Revenue
4400	Per Capita Tax (Current Membership Fees) per
4625	Veterans Service Recognition Booklet
4526	<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>

Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD
\$ 5,278.37	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (1,221.63)
\$ 1,324.90	\$ 800.00	\$ 524.90
\$ 25,202.61	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 6,202.61
\$ 20.67	\$ -	\$ 20.67
\$ 14,898.44	\$ 500.00	\$ 14,398.44
\$ 5,050.00		\$ 5,050.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 174,270.54	\$ 178,348.25	\$ (4,077.71)
\$ 47,620.67	\$ 85,000.00	\$ (37,379.33)
\$ 273,666.20	\$ 290,148.25	\$ (16,482.05)

**OPERATING EXPENDITURES**

General Expenses	
5020	Branch Supplies Purchases
5130	Salaries - General
5136	Vacation Pay - General
5150	CPP Expense - General
5160	EI Expense - General
5170	RRSP Employer Expense - General
5180	Workers Compensation - General
5200	Telephone/Fax - General
5210	Office Supplies - General
5215	Computer Expense - General
5220	Postage & Courier - General
5229	Legal / Professional - General
5230	Audit - General
5236	Assistance to Branches
5240	Donations - General
5245	Amortization - General
5250	Leasing Contracts - General
5255	NS/NU Command Use - General (eg. Staff bon
5260	Staff Training - General
5265	Sundries - Coffee, General Items
5270	Membership Renewal Expenses
5280	Interest & Bank Charges - General
	<b>Total General Expenses</b>

\$ 1,060.35	\$ 850.00	\$ 210.35
\$ 51,804.04	\$ 117,681.53	\$ (65,877.49)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,924.91	\$ 6,785.81	\$ (3,860.90)
\$ 1,174.40	\$ 2,685.31	\$ (1,510.91)
\$ 1,404.00	\$ 3,393.00	\$ (1,989.00)
\$ 263.90	\$ 717.86	\$ (453.96)
\$ 2,145.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ (2,355.00)
\$ 3,262.33	\$ 4,400.00	\$ (1,137.67)
\$ 7,959.14	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 759.14
\$ 4,899.33	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (1,600.67)
\$ 6,727.50	\$ -	\$ 6,727.50
\$ 19,841.48	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (5,158.52)
\$ 997.06	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (49,002.94)
\$ 10,165.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 9,665.00
\$ 8,011.57	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (5,988.43)
\$ 4,177.95	\$ 3,506.30	\$ 671.65
\$ 717.28	\$ 1,100.00	\$ (382.72)
\$ 487.60	\$ -	\$ 487.60
\$ 438.50	\$ 600.00	\$ (161.50)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 654.84	\$ 900.00	\$ (245.16)
\$ 129,116.18	\$ 250,319.81	\$ (121,203.63)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 6,539.36	\$ 11,031.92	\$ (4,492.56)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 369.54	\$ 636.52	\$ (266.98)
\$ 149.22	\$ 251.73	\$ (102.51)
\$ 156.00	\$ 312.00	\$ (156.00)
\$ 39.49	\$ 67.29	\$ (27.80)
\$ 223.28	\$ 375.00	\$ (151.72)
\$ 688.50	\$ 400.00	\$ 288.50
\$ 605.70	\$ 300.00	\$ 305.70
\$ 1,786.62	\$ 800.00	\$ 986.62
\$ 1,495.00	\$ -	\$ 1,495.00
\$ -	\$ 2,083.33	\$ (2,083.33)
\$ 1,613.41	\$ -	\$ 1,613.41
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,144.51	\$ 1,167.00	\$ (22.49)
\$ 1,300.65	\$ 900.00	\$ 400.65
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 93.13	\$ 70.00	\$ 23.13
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 208.44	\$ 70.00	\$ 138.44
\$ 16,412.85	\$ 18,464.79	\$ (2,051.94)

**Occupancy Expenses**

5310	Repairs & Maintenance - General
5320	Fire Tax - General
5330	Water - General
5350	Electricity - General
5360	Cleaning Expense - General
5370	Insurance - General
	<b>Total Occupancy Expenses</b>

\$ 5,982.69	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 982.69
\$ 210.00	\$ 400.00	\$ (190.00)
\$ 538.39	\$ 556.88	\$ (18.49)
\$ 2,348.03	\$ 4,500.00	\$ (2,151.97)
\$ 4,065.10	\$ 5,600.00	\$ (1,534.90)
\$ 5,622.19	\$ 8,500.00	\$ (2,877.81)
\$ 18,766.40	\$ 24,556.88	\$ (5,790.48)

\$ 173.59	\$ 300.00	\$ (126.41)
\$ 30.00	\$ 33.33	\$ (3.33)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 149.98	\$ 250.00	\$ (100.02)
\$ 540.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 90.00
\$ 803.17	\$ 708.33	\$ 94.84
\$ 1,696.74	\$ 1,741.66	\$ (44.92)

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

July, 2023

YTD, 2023

Actual July	Budget July	Variance July, 2023
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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

\$ 181.60	\$ -	\$ 181.60
\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ (400.00)
\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)
\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ (250.00)
\$ 507.02	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,492.98)
\$ 688.62	\$ 3,850.00	\$ (3,161.38)

\$ 688.62	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 250.00
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\$ (688.62)	\$ (3,850.00)	\$ 3,161.38
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PROGRAM REVENUE	
4450	Leadership Training Camp Income - (incl donation fr Lotto & VSRB)
4285	Miscellaneous Income -LTC
4550	Sports Revenues
	<b>Total Program Revenue</b>

Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

PROGRAM EXPENSES	
5545	Leadership Training Camp
5546	Grand Parade
5556	Trust 1 Bursary
	<b>TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES</b>

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 28.09	\$ 750.00	\$ (721.91)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 28.09	\$ 750.00	\$ (721.91)

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

\$ 285.35	\$ 100.00	\$ 185.35
\$ 745.32	\$ 800.00	\$ (54.68)
\$ 269.20	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (730.80)
\$ 970.42	\$ 675.00	\$ 295.42
\$ 729.26	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (19,270.74)
\$ 2,999.55	\$ 22,675.00	\$ (19,675.45)

**TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES**

\$ 3,027.64	\$ 23,325.00	\$ (20,297.36)
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\$ (3,027.64)	\$ (23,325.00)	\$ 20,297.36
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command  
Poppy Fund - Poppy Statement**

July, 2023

YTD, 2023

Actual Budget Variance  
July July July, 2023

Actual Budget 2023 Variance  
YTD YTD YTD

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,791.25	\$ -	\$ (1,791.25)
\$ -	\$ 22,100.00	\$ (22,100.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,726.21	\$ 700.00	\$ 1,026.21
\$ (11,444.20)	\$ -	\$ (11,444.20)
\$ (7,926.74)	\$ 22,800.00	\$ (34,309.24)

**POPPY REVENUE**

<b>4601</b>	Poppy Promotional Free Items
<b>4610</b>	Taxable Poppy Sales
<b>4615</b>	Non-Taxable Poppy Sales
<b>4623</b>	Assessed Poppy
<b>4616</b>	Poppy Sales Adjustment
<b>4620</b>	Postage & Courier Income - Poppy
<b>4630</b>	Interest Income Poppy
<b>4650</b>	Donation Income - Poppy
	<b>Total Poppy Revenue</b>

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,287.06	\$ 68,129.61	\$ (65,842.55)
\$ 10,411.37	\$ 431,552.62	\$ (421,141.25)
\$ 10,738.62	\$ 75,000.00	\$ (64,261.38)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
\$ 11,207.43	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,207.43
\$ 506.54	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,993.46)
\$ 35,151.02	\$ 588,682.23	\$ (553,531.21)

\$ 1,325.50	\$ 8,080.00	\$ (6,754.50)
\$ -	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (35,000.00)
\$ 1,325.50	\$ 43,080.00	\$ (41,754.50)

**Poppy Purchases**

<b>5610</b>	Taxable Poppy Purchases
<b>5615</b>	Non-Taxable Poppy Purchases
	<b>Total Poppy Purchases</b>

\$ 1,666.38	\$ 49,810.87	\$ (48,144.49)
\$ 7,393.95	\$ 316,012.27	\$ (308,618.32)
\$ 9,060.33	\$ 365,823.14	\$ (356,762.81)

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 184.99	\$ 215.00	\$ (30.01)
\$ -	\$ 295.00	\$ (295.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 151.42	\$ 100.00	\$ 51.42
\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 172.12	\$ 75.00	\$ 97.12
\$ 446.65	\$ -	\$ 446.65
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 8,239.32	\$ 8,508.59	\$ (269.27)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 4,835.75	\$ 8,199.64	\$ (3,363.89)
\$ 74.50	\$ 125.00	\$ (50.50)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 15,104.75	\$ 17,518.23	\$ (2,413.48)

**Poppy Expenses**

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,814.14	\$ 3,085.63	\$ (1,271.49)
\$ -	\$ 876.58	\$ (876.58)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,989.78	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 189.78
\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 822.31	\$ 1,100.00	\$ (277.69)
\$ 1,239.83	\$ -	\$ 1,239.83
\$ 1,173.60	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (26.40)
\$ 62,438.78	\$ 110,611.61	\$ (48,172.83)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 38,400.21	\$ 87,509.00	\$ (49,108.79)
\$ 715.08	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (784.92)
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ 109,593.73	\$ 222,782.82	\$ (113,189.09)

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

**Travel & Allowances**

<b>5430</b>	Poppy Committee
	<b>Total Travel &amp; Allowances</b>

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

\$ 16,430.25	\$ 60,598.23	\$ (44,167.98)
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**TOTAL POPPY EXPENDITURES**

\$ 118,654.06	\$ 588,605.96	\$ (469,951.90)
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\$ (24,356.99)	\$ (37,798.23)	\$ 9,858.74
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**Poppy Net Income (Loss)**

\$ (83,503.04)	\$ 76.27	\$ (83,579.31)
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command  
Elsie Jean Lambert Fund - EJ Lambert Statement**

July, 2023		
Actual July, 2023	Budget July, 2023	Variance July, 2023
\$ 663.67	\$ 500.00	\$ 163.67
\$ 663.67	\$ 500.00	\$ 163.67

YTD, 2023		
Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD
\$ 3,267.19	\$ 2,453.62	\$ 813.57
\$ 3,267.19	\$ 2,453.62	\$ 813.57

**LAMBERT INCOME**  
Interest Income -  
Lambert used for Bursary Funding  
4910 re: E J Lambert  
**Total Bursary/Scholarship Income**

\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ 5.00
\$ -	\$ 2,453.62	\$ (2,453.62)
\$ 5.00	\$ 2,453.62	\$ (2,448.62)
\$ 668.67	\$ (1,953.62)	\$ 2,612.29

**LAMBERT EXPENSES**  
5905 Bank Charges - Lambert  
5910 Elsie Lambert Scholarship Cheques  
**TOTAL LAMBERT EXPENSES**

\$ 15.00	\$ -	\$ 15.00
\$ -	\$ 2,453.62	\$ (2,453.62)
\$ 15.00	\$ 2,453.62	\$ (2,438.62)
\$ 3,252.19	\$ -	\$ 3,252.19

*Net Income (Loss)*



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

**July, 2023**

**YTD, 2023**

<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>July, 2023</b>	<b>July, 2023</b>	<b>July, 2023</b>

<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget 2023</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>YTD</b>		<b>YTD</b>

**BENEVOLENT REVENUE**

\$ 339,418.63	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 338,418.63
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,441.01	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,341.01
\$ 340,859.64	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 339,759.64

<b>4810</b>	Donations - Benevolent
<b>4815</b>	Veterans Transition Program
<b>4820</b>	Interest Income - Benevolent
<b>TOTAL BENEVOLENT REVENUE</b>	

\$ 368,262.63	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 338,262.63
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 8,396.65	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 5,396.65
\$ 376,659.28	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 343,659.28

**BENEVOLENT EXPENSES**

\$ 10,925.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,925.00
\$ 8.25	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.25

<b>5810</b>	Benevolent Disbursements
<b>5820</b>	Bank Charges

\$ 16,172.70	\$ 42,000.00	\$ (25,827.30)
\$ 41.50	\$ 65.00	\$ (23.50)

**TOTAL BENEVOLENT EXPENSES**

\$ 10,933.25	\$ 4,005.00	\$ 6,928.25
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\$ 16,214.20	\$ 42,065.00	\$ (25,850.80)
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\$ 329,926.39	\$ (2,905.00)	\$ 332,831.39
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**Total Benevolent Net Income (Loss)**

\$ 360,445.08	\$ (9,065.00)	\$ 369,510.08
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**July, 2023**

**YTD, 2022**

<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>July, 2023</b>	<b>July, 2023</b>	<b>July, 2023</b>

<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget 2022</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>YTD</b>		<b>YTD</b>

**VETERANS OUTREACH REVENUE**

\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)
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<b>4553</b>	Veterans Outreach Program
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\$ 2,500.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (17,500.00)
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**VETERANS OUTREACH EXPENSES**

\$ 377.98	\$ 750.00	\$ (372.02)
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<b>5830</b>	Veterans Outreach Program
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\$ 17,553.14	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (17,446.86)
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\$ (377.98)	\$ 2,250.00	\$ (2,627.98)
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**Total Veterans Outreach Net Income (Loss)**

\$ (15,053.14)	\$ (15,000.00)	\$ (53.14)
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July, 2023

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

July, 2023			YTD, 2023			
Actual July, 2023	Budget July, 2023	Variance July, 2023		Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD
\$ 340,859.64	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 339,759.64	Revenue -Benevolent	\$ 376,659.28	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 343,659.28
\$ -	\$ 3,000.00		Revenue -Veterans Outreach	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (17,500.00)
<u>\$ 340,859.64</u>	<u>\$ 4,100.00</u>	\$ 336,759.64	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 379,159.28</u>	<u>\$ 53,000.00</u>	\$ 326,159.28
						\$ -
\$ 10,933.25	\$ 4,005.00	\$ 6,928.25	Expense - Benevolent	\$ 16,214.20	\$ 42,065.00	\$ (25,850.80)
\$ 377.98	\$ 750.00	\$ (372.02)	Expense -Veterans Outreach	\$ 17,553.14	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (17,446.86)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Expense - PAWS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>\$ 11,311.23</u>	<u>\$ 4,755.00</u>	\$ 6,556.23	Expense Total	<u>\$ 33,767.34</u>	<u>\$ 77,065.00</u>	\$ (43,297.66)
<u>\$ 329,548.41</u>	<u>\$ (655.00)</u>	\$ 330,203.41	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 345,391.94</u>	<u>\$ (24,065.00)</u>	\$ 369,456.94

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

July, 2023			YTD, 2023			
Actual July, 2023	Budget July, 2023	Variance July, 2023		Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD
\$ 341,308.37	\$ 30,245.00	\$ 311,063.37	Revenue	\$ 691,243.69	\$ 934,284.10	\$ (243,040.41)
\$ 49,046.74	\$ 94,065.29	\$ (45,018.55)	Expenses	\$ 350,737.75	\$ 1,061,449.64	\$ (710,711.89)
<u>\$ 292,261.63</u>	<u>\$ (63,820.29)</u>	\$ 356,081.92	Net Income	<u>\$ 340,505.94</u>	<u>\$ (127,165.54)</u>	\$ 467,671.48

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

July, 2023			YTD, 2023			
Actual July, 2023	Budget July, 2023	Variance July, 2023	Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD	
\$ 7,711.80	\$ 2,845.00	\$ 4,866.80	Revenue - General Total	\$ 273,666.20	\$ 290,148.25	\$ (16,482.05)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Revenue - Programs Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>\$ 7,711.80</u>	<u>\$ 2,845.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,866.80</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 273,666.20</u>	<u>\$ 290,148.25</u>	<u>\$ (16,482.05)</u>
\$ 20,611.64	\$ 22,408.44	\$ (1,796.80)	Expense - General Total	\$ 195,273.71	\$ 370,000.06	\$ (174,726.35)
\$ 688.62	\$ 3,850.00	\$ (3,161.38)	Expense - Programs Total	\$ 3,027.64	\$ 23,325.00	\$ (20,297.36)
<u>\$ 21,300.26</u>	<u>\$ 26,258.44</u>	<u>\$ (4,958.18)</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ 198,301.35</u>	<u>\$ 393,325.06</u>	<u>\$ (195,023.71)</u>
<u>\$ (13,588.46)</u>	<u>\$ (23,413.44)</u>	<u>\$ 9,824.98</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 75,364.85</u>	<u>\$ (103,176.81)</u>	<u>\$ 178,541.66</u>

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

July, 2023			YTD, 2023			
Actual July, 2023	Budget July, 2023	Variance July, 2023	Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD	
\$ (7,926.74)	\$ 22,800.00	\$ (30,726.74)	Revenue - Poppy Total	\$ 35,151.02	\$ 588,682.23	\$ (553,531.21)
<u>\$ (7,926.74)</u>	<u>\$ 22,800.00</u>	<u>\$ (30,726.74)</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 35,151.02</u>	<u>\$ 588,682.23</u>	<u>\$ (553,531.21)</u>
\$ 16,430.25	\$ 60,598.23	\$ (44,167.98)	Expense - Poppy Total	\$ 118,654.06	\$ 588,605.96	\$ (469,951.90)
<u>\$ 16,430.25</u>	<u>\$ 60,598.23</u>	<u>\$ (44,167.98)</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ 118,654.06</u>	<u>\$ 588,605.96</u>	<u>\$ (469,951.90)</u>
<u>\$ (24,356.99)</u>	<u>\$ (37,798.23)</u>	<u>\$ 13,441.24</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (83,503.04)</u>	<u>\$ 76.27</u>	<u>\$ (83,579.31)</u>

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

July, 2023			YTD, 2023			
Actual July, 2023	Budget July, 2023	Variance July, 2023	Actual YTD	Budget 2023	Variance YTD	
\$ 663.67	\$ 500.00	\$ 163.67	Revenue - Lambert Total	\$ 3,267.19	\$ 2,453.62	\$ 813.57
<u>\$ 663.67</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>	<u>\$ 163.67</u>	Revenue Total	<u>\$ 3,267.19</u>	<u>\$ 2,453.62</u>	<u>\$ 813.57</u>
\$ 5.00	\$ 2,453.62	\$ (2,448.62)	Expense - Lambert Total	\$ 15.00	\$ 2,453.62	\$ (2,438.62)
<u>\$ 5.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,453.62</u>	<u>\$ (2,448.62)</u>	Expense Total	<u>\$ 15.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,453.62</u>	<u>\$ (2,438.62)</u>
<u>\$ 658.67</u>	<u>\$ (1,953.62)</u>	<u>\$ 2,612.29</u>	Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 3,252.19</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,252.19</u>

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command  
Investments Statement

July-23

Visa Points	528,254
Plus: Current Points Earned	-
Less: Redeemed Points	-
	528,254

July-23

	GL Acct	Purchase Date	Orig. Invest.	Int. Rate	Term	Maturity	Balance Sheet Value as of Last month	New Balance Sheet Value
<b>Scottabank Investment Listing:</b>								
GIC IWL2B2-Elsie Joan Lambert	1151	03-Apr-23	\$200,000.00	3.94%	12	Mar.30/24	\$201,923.42	\$202,587.09
GIC (long term) 22DTR6	1168	05-Jun-23	\$25,000.00	4.80%	30	Dec 5,2023	\$25,085.48	\$25,125.62
GIC (long term)22DTR7	1171	05-Jun-23	\$100,000.00	4.80%	30	Dec 5,2023	\$100,341.92	\$100,502.47
GIC (long term) 22DTLP	1169	05-Jun-23	\$80,000.00	4.80%	30	Dec 5,2023	\$80,273.53	\$80,401.97
GIC (short-term) 1XX14X	1176	Jul.27/22	\$50,000.00	4.40%	14	Sep.27.23	\$52,043.29	\$52,206.85
GIC (Short-Term) 1ZKYSS	1186	Dec.06/22	\$72,657.57	5.06%	12	Dec.06/23	\$74,717.86	\$75,029.18
GIC 1HRY6T	1190	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	60	Feb.14/24	\$57,278.01	\$57,308.08
GIC 1HRY6V	1191	Feb.14/19	\$50,000.00	3.15%	60	Feb.14/24	\$57,278.01	\$57,308.08
							\$648,941.52	\$650,468.34

BURSARY FUNDING (and INFORMATION)

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

**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command  
Income Statement Jul 01, 2023 to Jul 31, 2023**

**REVENUE**

**General Income**

Miscellaneous Income - General	8.84
Interest Income - General	<u>3,572.25</u>
<b>Total General Income</b>	<u>3,581.09</u>

**Program Revenues**

Per Capita Tax	2,678.13
VeteransRecognitionBook - taxable	1,303.26
VeteransRecognitionBook - non tax	<u>149.32</u>
Net: VeteransServiceRecognitionBook	<u>1,452.58</u>
<b>Total Program Revenues</b>	<u>4,130.71</u>

**Poppy Income**

Taxable Poppy Sales	<u>1,791.25</u>
Net: Poppy Sales	1,791.25
Interest Income - Poppy	1,726.21
Donation Income - Poppy	<u>-11,444.20</u>
<b>Total Poppy Income</b>	<u>-7,926.74</u>

**Benevolent Income**

Donations - Benevolent	339,418.63
Interest Income - Benevolent	<u>1,441.01</u>
<b>Total Benevolent Income</b>	<u>340,859.64</u>

**Lambert Income**

Interest Income - Lambert	<u>663.67</u>
<b>Total Lambert Income</b>	<u>663.67</u>

<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<u>341,308.37</u>
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**EXPENSE**

**General & Admin. Expenses**

Salaries - General	6,539.36
CPP Expense - General	369.54
EI Expense - General	149.22
RRSP Employer Expense - General	156.00
WCB - General	39.49
Telephone/Fax - General	223.28
Office Supplies-General	688.50
Computer Expense-General	605.70

Postage & Courier - General	1,786.62
Legal / Professional - General	1,495.00
Assistance to Branches - General	1,613.41
Amortization - General	1,144.51
Leasing Contracts - General	1,300.65
Sundries-Coffee, Misc Items-Genera	93.13
Bank Charges - General *5119	208.44
<b>Total Administation - General</b>	<u>16,412.85</u>

### **Occupany Expenses**

Repairs & Maintenance - General	173.59
Fire Tax	30.00
Electricity - General	149.98
Cleaning Expense - General	540.00
Insurance - General	803.17
<b>Total Occupancy Costs</b>	<u>1,696.74</u>

### **Convention Costs - General**

NS/NU Comm Convention Costs-General	372.30
<b>Total Convention Costs - General</b>	<u>372.30</u>

### **Travel & Allowances - General**

Council Allowance - General	325.00
Command President Exp-General	1,144.77
Veteran Service Recognition Books	500.00
Complaint Committee - General	106.40
Treasurer Expenses - General	53.58
<b>Total Travel &amp; Allowance - General</b>	<u>2,129.75</u>

### **Sports Expenses - General**

Sports Committee Expense-General	181.60
Track & Field Expense - General	507.02
<b>Total Sports Expenses-General</b>	<u>688.62</u>

### **Poppy Expenses**

Taxable Poppy Purchases	<u>1,325.50</u>
Net: Poppy Purchases	1,325.50
Building Maint - Poppy	184.99
Computer Expenses - Poppy	151.42
Donations - Poppy	1,000.00
Office Supplies - Poppy	172.12
Postage & Courier - Poppy	446.65
WCB Expense - Poppy	44.84
Salaries - Poppy	7,600.82
CPP Expense - Poppy	420.20
EI Expense - Poppy	173.46
Secretarial - Poppy	4,835.75

Telephone - Poppy	74.50
<b>Total Poppy Expenses</b>	<u>16,430.25</u>
<b>Benevolent Expenses</b>	
Benevolent Disbursements	10,925.00
Benevolent Interest & Bank Charges	8.25
Veterans Outreach Program	377.98
<b>Total Benevolent Expenses</b>	<u>11,311.23</u>
<b>Lambert - Expenses</b>	
Bank Charges - Lambert	5.00
<b>Total Lambert Expenses</b>	<u>5.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<u>49,046.74</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u><u>292,261.63</u></u>

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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command**  
**Balance Sheet As at Jul 31, 2023**

**ASSET**

**Current Assets**

Petty Cash	387.03
Emergency Cash-Poppy	2,004.50
Scotiabank - General ..*5119	721,737.02
Scotiabank - Poppy ..*7014	448,249.59
Scotiabank -Veteran S Recog ..*5518	3,648.07
Scotiabank - Benevolent ..0813	707,425.56
Scotiabank - Lambert (new) ..3111	5,078.29
Scotiabank - WebDonations ..0817	1,579.41
Scotiabank - Programs ..00*4710	1,496.76
GIC - E.J. Lambert_ends 03/24	202,587.09
GIC 1WLF1R - ends 05/23	128.44
ScotiaBank Invest 1879147ends 12/25	75,029.18
GIC GIC 22DTR6 4.8% Dec 5/25	25,085.48
LT GIC -22DTLP 4.8% Dec5/25	80,273.53
GIC-short-term, 1WFL4M_ends 05/23	40.14
GIC-longterm, 22DTR7 4.8% Dec5/25	100,502.47
ScotiaBank Invest 1T1MZ7_end 07/22	52,206.85
Scotia Bank Invest 1FN40J_end 07/21	0.00
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY6T_end 02/24	57,308.08
Scotia Bank Invest 1HRY6V_end 02/24	57,308.08
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HTL_end 05/21	0.00
Scotia Bank Invest 1K0HV1_end 05/21	0.00
Accounts Receivable Control	-9,840.85
Accounts Receivable Adjust	1,463.10
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	-3,717.19
Due fr General to Poppy	185.26
Due from Poppy to General	399,099.19
Due from Benevolent to General	877.45
Dur From Trust one to General	0.00
Inventory - Poppy and Wreath	11,447.34
Poppy Promotional (free) items	389.45
Inventory - Promotional Supplies	31,020.39
Inventory Adjustment	2,565.76
Prepaid Expenses	1,202.35
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b><u>2,976,767.82</u></b>

**Capital Assets**

Land	140,179.95
Building	550,001.30
Accum. Amort. - Building	<u>-270,060.92</u>



Net - Building		279,940.38
Office Furniture & Equipment	128,052.05	
Accum. Amort. - Furn. & Equip.	<u>-124,755.72</u>	
Net - Furniture & Equipment		3,296.33
Computer Equipment	19,238.05	
Accum. Amort - Computer Equipment	<u>-16,820.32</u>	
Net : Computer Equipment		<u>2,417.73</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>		<u><u>425,834.39</u></u>
 <b>TOTAL ASSET</b>		 <u><u>3,402,602.21</u></u>

## **LIABILITY**

### **Current Liabilities**

Accounts Payable		17,527.35
Vacation Accrual Paid		-1,458.26
Accrued Vacation		1,458.26
Accrued Liabilities		16,568.89
Visa Payable		0.00
RRSP Contributions Payable		520.00
CPP Payable		2,072.20
EI Payable		723.70
Workers Comp Payable		110.66
Federal Income Tax Payable		3,757.06
HST Charged on Sales	1,935.11	
HST Paid on Purchases	<u>-5,212.87</u>	
HST Owing (Refund)		-3,277.76
Owing to General from Poppy		399,284.45
Due to General from Benevolent		877.45
Due to General From Trust one		0.00
Defered Revenue		<u>1,663.75</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<u><u>439,827.75</u></u>

### **Long Term Liabilities**

Deferred Revenue Long Term		0.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2026		3,859.90
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2027		48.40
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2028		2,190.10
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2029		1,282.60
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2030		121.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2031		242.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2032		242.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2037		387.20
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2023		7,495.48
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2024		8,191.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2025		6,897.00

Per Capita Tax rec'd - 2666	0.00
<b>Total Long Term Liabilities</b>	<u>30,957.38</u>
 <b>TOTAL LIABILITY</b>	 <u>470,785.13</u>
 <b>EQUITY</b>	
 <b>Fund Balances</b>	
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	1,446,913.48
Capital Reserve Fund	100,000.00
Supplementary Fund	25,000.00
Investment in Capital Assets	466,152.00
Current Earnings	340,505.94
General Fund Balance	-64,211.67
Poppy Fund Balance	75,909.00
Benevolent Fund Balance	339,588.33
Lambert Fund Balance	201,960.00
Trust 1 Bursary	0.00
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<u>2,931,817.08</u>
 <b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	 <u>2,931,817.08</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	 <u><u>3,402,602.21</u></u>

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## **In-coming Executive Director's Report**

Comrades,

Since joining the team at the beginning of September, I have been introduced to our incredible office staff and dedicated Executive Committee members. Our out-going Executive director, Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte has been extremely gracious with her time before her very well-earned retirement to assist me in transitioning into my new position; a position as I am learning which has big shoes to fill. I will also say that I am grateful for the warm greetings and offers of support!

Though I enter my new role with 9 years as a Legion Member and over 33 years service in the Canadian Armed forces, I recognize that I have much to learn and look forward to the process. I hope that my experiences and insights will help further the goals and objectives of our organization and that I will be of value to each executive committee as they are formed throughout my tenure. I also look forward to meeting the tremendous volunteers that work tirelessly in fulfilling our mandate as time progresses. The part of this new role that I look forward to the most will be in serving my fellow veterans and their families as well as ensuring our fallen are never forgotten.

Lastly, I would like to thank Valerie in her incredible service to our Command. Her dedication and incredible thoughtfulness are making my transition as smooth as one can hope.

In Comradeship,

Craig Hood CD

Executive Director,

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

The Royal Canadian Legion

**Electronic Vote Listing**

<b>Matter</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Result</b>
GIC Renewal (3)	May 30 2023	Carried
Pres. NB Convention	June 13 2023	Carried
Bequest Investment	August 08 202	CARRIED
Temporary Increase Base Rate Accomodation Expense	August 25 202	Carried

## 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.

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Name:

clarence dawe

District

A

Date

Sept 25

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

Zone

1

Yes

No

Zone

2

Yes

No

Zone

3

Yes

No

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

Date

Yes

june,sept 23

No

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

Date

Yes

No

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

decoration day and candle light service br 19  
dedication of memorial br19  
90 th anniversary br 47 st. peters  
decoration day br 008

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

leadship planned for district

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

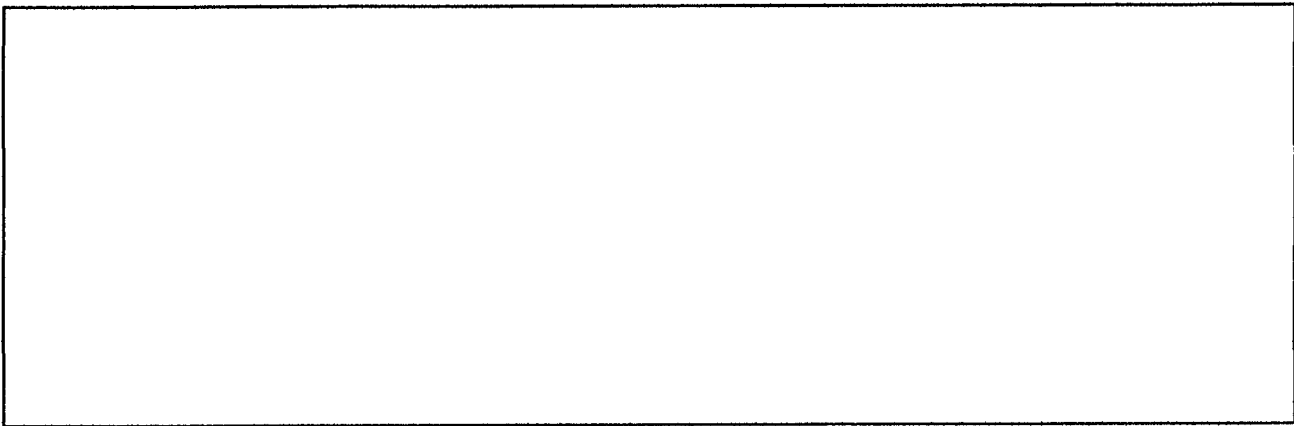
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7. Have you thoroughly reviewed By-law revisions and Honors/Awards submissions prior to signing (if applicable)?

Yes

No

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

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## District Commander's Report

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

Name:

Lorne MacDonald

District

B

Date

September 11, 2023

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

Zone

5

Yes

No

Zone

6

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

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

Yes

No

Date

June 4, 2023

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

September 11, 2023



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

Attende one branch meeting , very quite over the summer.  
Spoke to branches reagarding questions they had.

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

No

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

Only issue Zone 5 has is geeting branches to come to zone meetings.

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.

Arass Branch 59 is planning on putting in to hold our next Command Covention at their branch.

## 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:

Robert Hoeg

District

C

Date

September 30, 2022

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

Zone

07

Yes

No

Zone

10

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

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

Yes

No

Date

April 16, 2023

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.

April 16 2023. Zone 10 meeting Tatamagouche Br #64  
June 15, 2023 Zone 07 meeting Joggins Br# 004. No Zone Commander elected.

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

Branch Policy and Branch By-laws at District C meeting April 16, 2023

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

Branch Policy from District C Branches are very slow in being submitted.  
Matter has been discussed at both Zone & District meetings.

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

- Yes  
 No

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

District C Terms of Reference were approved at last District C meeting. Just requires signatures.

Next District meeting scheduled for October 29, 2023 at Pugwash Peace Br# 60.

## 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 Stansbury

District

D

Date

28 Sep 2023

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

Zone

8

Yes

No

Zone

9

Yes

No

Zone

11

Yes

No

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

Yes

No

Date

24 Sep 2023

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

26 Sep 2023

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

This is my first report after being elected as District Commander. I have attended funeral for Bradley Bent, held a district meeting and solved a number of problems for branches

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

none 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 have become aware of, but have not been reported in the Zone Commanders' report? Please explain.

There are a couple that have a problem with the policy book of their branch and getting it to command due to people not wanting to help but I am working on that. I am aware of a couple branches that are experienceing financial problem and are trying to work it out for themselves.

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.

nothing at this time

Don Stansbury  
District D 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:

André V Boudreau

District

E

Date

22 Sept 2023

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

Zone

12

Yes

No

Zone

13

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

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

Yes

No

Date

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

unknown done by

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

Zone 13 meeting in Bridgewater

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

NO

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

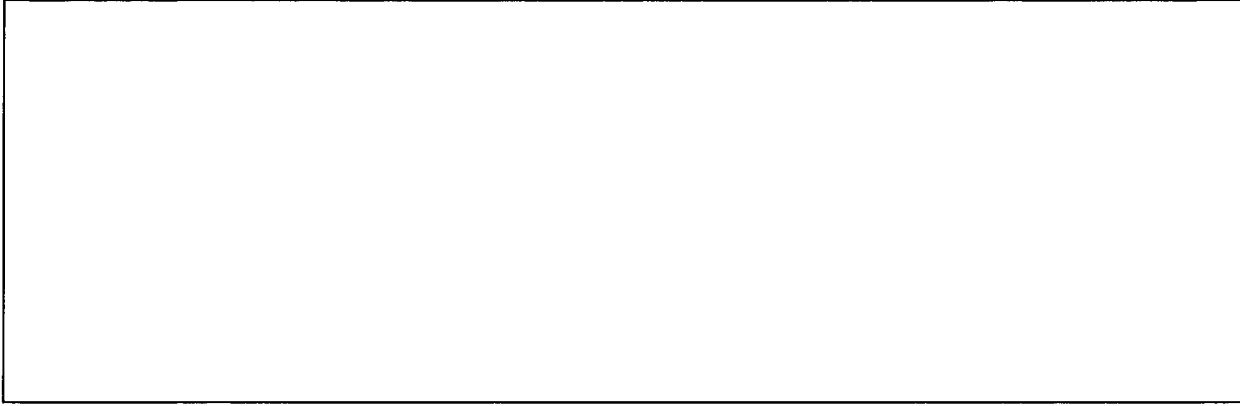
Yes Br 66 in completing requested reports. They are having manning problems, the existing resident wants to leave but no one is stepping up to be the president.  
Br 61 Yarmouth late in Fin Reports  
Hardy Branch 144 requires repairs after the heavy rains

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.

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## District Commander's Report

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Name:

Joanne Geddes

District

F

Date

18 Sep 23

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

Zone

14

Yes

No

Zone

15

Yes

No

Zone

Yes

No

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

Yes

No

Date

15 Oct 23

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

17 July 2023

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

H&A Bedford Br 095, DDay Service at Somme Br 031, VJ Day Eastern Marine B161, 2 Exec Mtgs at Vimy Br 027, Over 50 Coffee at MacDonald Branch 156, 95th Anniv, Mtg with Exec Director re District concerns/issues, Meetings with Command and Comrade Glen re Grand Parade, Monthly Memorial Service at Camp Hill Veterans Memorial

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

Requested Comrade Marion Fryday-Cook to speak briefly with Vimy Br 027 ref Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) during their August Executive Meeting.

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

To my knowledge there are still Branches in Zone 14 that do not have Poppy Chairs. I have advised Presidents of Vimy Br 027 and White Ensign 129 that their names have been submitted for Grand Parade Committee since no one appointed. Zone 14 Board consists of Deputy Zone Commander, newly appointed Sports O and Past Zone Commander.

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.

One Life Membership from Calais Br 162 Zone 15 approved

One Registered Letter to request return of Legion property, issue resolved

Camp Hill has changed the way they are doing things, memorials by display, monthly memorial mtgs and Remembrance Week. Comrade Richard Powell, Zone 15

Sgt-at-Arms has been appointed as the Camp Hill Sgt-at-Arms and Zone 14 will be asked to provide members if required

Grand Parade planning is well underway, after site visit there are concerns re the homeless tents around Cenotaph and will continue with planning and possible alt locns

**Appeals Committee Report**

Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command

The Royal Canadian Legion

September 2023

**Members of Committee:**

Immediate Past President Donna McRury

Chairman

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Harry Jackson

Member

Comrade Marion Fryday-Cook

Member

When called upon, this committee makes a decision and informs both parties to the complaint, and the Secretary of the Branch/Command involved. All appeals must be conducted in accordance with Article III, Para 314 of the General By-Laws.

Since the convention, there have not been any appeals brought forward.

In Comradeship,

Donna Mc Rury

Chairman

Appeals Committee

Benevolent Report

Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command

Benevolent Committee Members

September ,2023

Comrade Donna McRury- Immediate Past President Chairman

Comrade Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte- Executive Director Member

Service Officers Secretary

The Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command Benevolent Fund enables our Command the ability to provide emergency assistance to all Veterans and their families. The Fund provides emergency assistance such as shelter, food, fuel, clothing, prescription medicine and necessary transportation.

As per the Poppy Manual, assistance cannot be continued over the long term, but is available more than once to applicants. NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund from May to September were able to aid Veterans and their families, who through no fault of their own, found themselves in need of help and fortunately, we were able to aid.

The following is a list pertaining to the assistance provided.

Month	Shelter	Food	Fuel	Clothing	Medicine	Transportation
May	2					
June	0					
July	0					
August	0					
September	will update at meeting					

It must be noted that every application is vetted thoroughly before any assistance is provided, and that the circumstances and need are serious enough to impact the financial stability of the clients or their families. When the committee finally decides, it must offer either an immediate solution or contribute to a plan that will bring long term stability to the situation. Benevolent assistance is only offered when all other means of help are unavailable.

The Committee would like to thank the branches of NS/NU Command who help when called upon for support. We kindly ask all Branches to keep the Benevolent Assistance in mind when disbursing funds from Poppy Trust accounts. Your generous contributions support those Veterans and their families.

Yours in Comradeship,

*Donna McRury*

Chairman

Benevolent Fund Committee

NS/NU Command



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# Complaints Committee Report

## September 2023

All complaints up to and including September 2023 have been addressed.

Yours in Comradeship,

Tom Young

Karen Lynch

Conrad Gilbert

## Constitutions & By-Laws Committee

Committee Members:

Chairman 1<sup>st</sup> VP, George DellaValle

President, Don McCumber

2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Harry Jackson

NS/NU Chairman, Tom Young

Past President, Marion Fryday -Cook

Command Secretary, Jane Scott

### Comrades

Since the Convention in May, the C&L Committee has continued to meet and review Branch Annex A's and Branch Policy manuals and admendment submission sent in from the branches. We have completed the first round of Policy Manuals sent in from all 7 Districts.

All Branch Mail Out's was sent out including a sample of the Branch Policy Manual, the Amendment Form and the Questionnaire. As well as I have talked to all the District Commanders and have up dated them as the Policy Manuals as they are submitted and approved/recieved and placed on file at NS/NU Command.

Terms of Referance were up dated to the Benevolent Fund and a new TOR for Sgt At Arms was created.

I wish to thank the C& L Committee for their time and vast knowledge while serving on this committee, and a Comrade Jane Scott, Committee Secretary for her assistance thought out the Annex A and Policy Manual process.

Respectfully Submitted

George DellaValle

Chairman

Constitution and By-Laws

Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command

BRANCH POLICY AMENDMENTS/ADDITIONS

This form is to be utilized when amendments/additions are made to Branch Policy Manuals.

(ONLY ONE (1) AMENDMENT PER PAGE.)

EXISTING POLICY	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
<p>The committee will consist of the most Immediate Past President as Chairperson and the Command Executive Director. The Command Service Officers will provide administrative support if required</p> <p>Definition: The Command Benevolent Fund was created by a generous donation from the Nova Scotia Command Dart League and the Halifax Central Poppy Fund in July 2000 and has been registered as a Charitable Foundation under the Canada Revenue Agency.</p> <p>A committee has been created/is designed to specifically co-ordinate/manage those funds identified and generated from within Command Branch Poppy Trust Funds and donations at large to further support Veterans and their dependents as defined in the Royal Canadian Legion General Bylaws, who are in need.</p> <p>The funds may only be used for emergency assistance, which is defined as shelter, food, fuel, clothing, prescription medicine and necessary transportation.</p> <p>Assistance cannot be continued over an extended period but may be offered more than once to an individual. The signing Officers of the Command Benevolent Fund shall be the signing Officers of Command. The committee will meet as required to review all applications.</p>	<p>The committee will consist of the most Immediate Past President as Chairperson and the Command Executive Director. The Command Service Officers will provide administrative support if required</p> <p>Definition: The Command Benevolent Fund was created by a generous donation from the Nova Scotia Command Dart League and the Halifax Central Poppy Fund in July 2000 and has been registered as a Charitable Foundation under the Canada Revenue Agency.</p> <p>A committee has been created/is designed to specifically co-ordinate/manage those funds identified and generated from within Command Branch Poppy Trust Funds and donations at large to further support Veterans and their dependents as defined in the Royal Canadian Legion General Bylaws, who are in need. The funds are also used to support our Veteran Peer and transition programs.</p> <p>The funds may only be used for emergency assistance, which is defined as shelter, food, fuel, clothing, prescription medicine and necessary transportation. As well as support required for our Veteran peer and transition programs.</p> <p>Assistance cannot be continued over an extended period but may be offered more than once to an individual. The signing Officers of the Command Benevolent Fund shall be the signing Officers of Command. The committee will meet as required to review all applications.</p>

The amendment/changes to this BRANCH POLICY were proposed according to Standardized Bylaws Art. XII and approved by two-thirds majority at a branch general meeting held:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

It was moved by: Comrade

*Tom Young*

Second by: Comrade

*Marion Fryday-Cook*

Branch President: Comrade

Branch Secretary: Comrade

Approved: NS/NU Command By-Law Chairman: Comrade

*R. Dell Valle*

*George Della-Valle*

Date:

*August 29, 2023*

Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command

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**EXISTING POLICY**

**PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT**

<p>Application Requirements                  A Veterans Affairs Canada Application 1278e or NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund application is mandatory and must be fully completed by the individual requesting assistance. Applicants must undergo a financial means test and, if required provide proof of debt and justification for any monthly expenses which are unusual or higher than average. As well, any additional information considered necessary to process the application must be provided (i.e., specialized medical reports, if applicable; supplier estimates, substantiation of income (Notice of Assessment) other sources of funding, etc. If possible, a completed VAC Counsellor's report (DVA514) that contains an overview of the client's situation, the type and amount of the requested assistance, the applicant's inability to pay, and the fact there is no other assistance available should be provided. Upon completion, the application is to be submitted to NS/NU Command Executive Director.                  Once the application has been received and reviewed by NS/NU Command, the Branch Service Officer serving in the jurisdiction of the applicant may be contacted for his/her remarks and recommendations. Once the application has been received and reviewed by the NS/NU Command Executive Director, it will then be reviewed and decided upon by the Command Benevolent Fund Committee.</p>	<p>Application Requirements                  A Veterans Affairs Canada Application 1278e or NS/NU Command Benevolent Fund application is mandatory and must be fully completed by the individual requesting assistance. Applicants must undergo a financial means test and, if required provide proof of debt and justification for any monthly expenses which are unusual or higher than average. As well, any additional information considered necessary to process the application must be provided (i.e., specialized medical reports, if applicable; supplier estimates, substantiation of income (Notice of Assessment) other sources of funding, etc. If possible, a completed VAC Counsellor's report (DVA514) that contains an overview of the client's situation, the type and amount of the requested assistance, the applicant's inability to pay, and the fact there is no other assistance available should be provided. Upon completion, the application is to be submitted to NS/NU Command Executive Director.                  Once the application has been received and reviewed by NS/NU Command, the Branch Service Officer serving in the jurisdiction of the applicant may be contacted for his/her remarks and recommendations. Once the application has been received and reviewed by the NS/NU Command Executive Director, it will then be reviewed and decided upon by the Command Benevolent Fund Committee.</p>
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Second by: Comrade *Marion Fryday-Cook*

Branch President: Comrade

Branch Secretary: Comrade

Approved; NS/NU Command By-Law Chairman: Comrade *George Della-Valle*

Date: *August 29, 2023*

*[Signature]*  
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Nova Scotia/ Nunavut Command

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**EXISTING POLICY**

**PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT**

<p><b>Adjudication &amp; Process</b> Every application is considered on the merits of the applicant's circumstances and demonstrated need. The problem giving rise to the client's need must be beyond the ability of the applicant's own resources, and it must be of a sufficiently serious nature to constitute a definite threat to the economic stability of the family. A grant can only be made if the assistance, on its own or in conjunction with grants from other sources, will provide a complete and immediate solution to the situation or contribute to a plan offering reasonable assurance of a long- term solution. The recommended solution must be the most basic and cost-effective remedy available given the applicant's need and circumstances.</p> <p><b>Payment of Grants</b> As a rule, approved Benevolent Fund grants are made by cheque, jointly payable to both the applicant and service provider or directly to the service provider by Command credit card</p>	<p><b>Adjudication &amp; Process</b> Every application is considered on the merits of the applicant's circumstances and demonstrated need. The problem giving rise to the client's need must be beyond the ability of the applicant's own resources, and it must be of a sufficiently serious nature to constitute a definite threat to the economic stability of the family. A grant can only be made if the assistance, on its own or in conjunction with grants from other sources, will provide a complete and immediate solution to the situation or contribute to a plan offering reasonable assurance of a long- term solution. The recommended solution must be the most basic and cost-effective remedy available given the applicant's need and circumstances.</p> <p><b>Payment of Grants</b> As a rule, approved Benevolent Fund grants are made by cheque, jointly payable to both the applicant and service provider or directly to the service provider by Command credit card</p>
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Date:

It was moved by: Comrade *Tom Young*

Second by: Comrade *marion fryday-cook*

Branch President: Comrade

Branch Secretary: Comrade

Approved: NS/NU Command By-Law Chairman: Comrade *George Della-Valle*

Date: *August 29, 2023*

**Nova Scotia Nunavut Command  
Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee  
September 2023**

Comrade Harry Jackson – Chair  
Comrade George Della Valle - Member  
Comrade Cliff Lauren – Member  
Comrade Andre Boudreau – Member  
Comrade Don Stansbury -- Member  
Comrade Jane Scott - Secretary

Good day Comrades,

The Rituals, Awards and Protocol Committee had met June, July and Aug. Have postponed the September meeting and will resume meeting in October. We have received several submissions over the past three month, unfortunately some submissions have been returned due to lack of information.

Some of the key reason are:

- Application not fully completed.
- Minutes not sign or not move and second.
- Not enough information in the write ups.
- The mayor Awards check list are not being followed

So I would ask the District Commander to go to the Zones and relay this information back to the branches to ensure they follow the check list for the mayor Awards.

I want to thank my Committee for their time, dedication, and comradeship as we move forward with presenting the members with the awards. Also like to thanks Jane Scott for her hard work and dedication.

Respectfully Submitted  
Harry Jackson / Chair

## **Ritual Awards and Protocol**

### **Major Awards May 21-September 30 2023**

Life Memberships: 10

M.S.M 2

Friendship Award: 3

Media: 1

## **Membership Report September 15, 2023**

Currently our Command is at 16,255 members or 97.37% of your 2022 year-end total 16,669

Our current membership is 16,225 this number is up 5% or 774 members compared to this time last year (you had 15,451 members at this time last year)

We currently have 2,071 new members for the year up 5% from the 1,960 new members you had at this time last year

Renewals are at 14,184 this year compared to our last years total of 16,669 is at 85% equal to the National Average of 85%

### **Dominion Membership Update**

Direct mail postcards has begun distribution to over 70,000

- To date we have processed 167,501 memberships (67% of last year's total). Membership is currently down 15.9% or 31,700 members year over year.
- 2021 Renewals are 64.1% vs 71.8% at this time last year.
- We have processed 7,619 new members (including 854 free Veterans Welcome Program) down 43% to the same time last year
- We have processed 583 deceased members equal to this time last year.
- To date 12,100 members have registered for MemberPerks

Lorne MacDonald

Membership Chairman



# Personnel Committee Report

September 30, 2023

Chairman, Comrade, George DellaValle

2nd VP, Comrade, Harry Jackson

Treasure, Comrade, Conrad Gilbert

President, Comrade, Don McCumber

Secretary, Comrade, Valerie Mitchell – Veinotte

Comrades

All daily operations continue to run smoothly under the direction of the Executive Director Valerie Mitchell – Veinotte and our new Executive Director Craig Hood who started with us in the first week of September. At this time, I would like to thank Valerie for all her years of support and guidance and dedication to all of us throughout the years, and to Craig welcome aboard. Many thanks to our existing staff Jane, Ken and Lorena for all their support, guidance, dedication and assistance in the Command office to all of us and especially to all our Veterans.

Respectfully Submitted

George DellaValle

Chairman/ 1st VP

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# PR Report September 2023

Our Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command 56th Convention took place in Sydney, Nova Scotia May 20th-23rd, 2023. This was a combined effort of Branch 128 who were the LAC and Branch 138 providing the venue.

The convention was very well attended with the delegates heading home with a great experience including the Cape Breton Hospitality and the work completed at the convention. Thanks again to all who assisted in making our 2023 convention a success!

The Legion Nationals Track and Field competition was held in Sherbrooke QC, August 11<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>. Once again, the Nova Scotia/Nunavut team represented our command with a great measure of excellence. Our team was led by our own 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Comrade Harry Jackson. The team came home with 4 medals and a lifetime of memories. Congratulations to All!

One of the many initiatives on the "National Front" is the renewal and renovation of the Juno Beach Centre in Normandy. The Royal Canadian Legion (RCL) has approved the use of the poppy trademark and has contributed \$100,000 to the Exhibition Renewal Project.

The renewal exhibition will demonstrate that the service of modern veterans -- the thousands of Canadian who have worn the uniform since 1945 - continues to inform Canadian Identity, whether during the Cold War, through the United Nations and NATO missions, or during the war in Afghanistan. Canadians have and continue to "Serve".

With the many severe weather events we have experienced here in the last year, many thanks go out to the Branches who have opened their doors in their communities to offer a place of comfort to those in need.

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We celebrated Legion Week in Canada Sept 17<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>. Branches across the country will be hosting various community events to show our people “who we are and what we do” for example: the Battle of Britian celebrations were hosted in Bridgewater on Sunday Sept 17<sup>th</sup>. The Sydney area legions will be participating at Center 200 on Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> during the Quebec Jr Hockey League game. Complete with a full color party and will have available posters and pamphlets for the fans in attendance.

Legion week is a great idea which only grows the awareness of in the upcoming years.

The end of the month brings on the “end of an Era” for the Nova Scotia/Nunavut command our Executive Director Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte will be retiring. Valeries wit, attention to detail, knowledge and an overwhelming love and empathy she displays for veterans will be missed. Congratulations Valerie! We would also like to Welcome to our new Executive Director Comrade Craig Hood.

Yours in Comradeship,

Tom Young

Marian Friday-Cook

Robert Hoeg

# Sport Report

September 30, 2023

## Member Sports

The Dominion Legion Member Sports were a go for 2023 and our NS/NU Command sport coordinators sent out notice by ABMO announcing the dates for the 2023 Provincial Championships.

**Cribbage** Coordinator: Murray Dawson date of provincial play was March 04 at Middleton Br# 001.

There were 20 teams playing for the right to represent NS/NU Command at the Nationals this year. The winning team from Somme B# 031 was represented by William Thorpe, Ron Eisan, Chris & Florence Kimball.

Five (5) letters were submitted to host the 2024 provincial cribbage play with Truro Legion Br# 026 being selected.

Comrade Dawson thanked the host Middleton Legion and his support staff of Beth Dawson, and Grant & Marilyn O'Laney for a job well done.

**8-Ball** Coordinator: Edgar Dowell

The date of provincial play was March 18-19 at Mt. Uniacke Br# 165.

Ten (10) teams competed for the Provincial Championships with play taking a full two days to complete.

The winning team with 79 points from Vimy Br# 027 was represented by Lawrence Borden, John Dugas, Bob Mikles & Gordie Lynch.

**National Doubles winners** are Comrades Lawrence Borden & John Dugas.

Comrade Dowell made notice that the running of the provincial play for 2024 would see some changes to the number of games and how the provincial representatives would be selected. Comrade Dowell thanked the host MT. Uniacke Br# 165 for again hosting the Provincial play.

**Darts** Coordinator: Harry Jackson

The play for the 2023 Provincial darts was March 11-12 Westville Br# 035 and started off with 20 doubles teams competing. The doubles winners from MacDonald Memorial Br# 156 were Coady Burke & Jason Smith.

The singles play consisted of 19 players competing with the winner being Braden Campbell from Middleton Br# 001.

The team play (4 person) took place on Sunday with 19 teams competing. The winners from Centennial Br# 160 were Paul LaQuant, Travis Turner, Jerry Myles & Rod Snow.

The **National doubles winners** are from MacDonald Memorial Br# 156, Comrades Coady Burke & Jason Smith.

Coordinator Comrade Jackson thanked the host Westville Br# 035 and dart secretary Kathy Julien for a job well done.

Following are the proposed sights and dates for

**2024 Dominion Member Sports Championships**

**Eight Ball:** 24 – 27 May 2024 Host: Branch #10-051

Happy Valley-Goose Bay

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

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

Shediac NB

386 Main Street, Shediac, NB, E4P 2G1

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

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

**Track / Field:** Coordinator Robert Hoeg

On May 10/23 a T/F meeting was held at Command office to discuss and select the coaches & chaperones for Legion Nationals to be held in Quebec.

Zoom meetings were held on June 19 and June 20, 2023 with Athletics NS to discuss issues with Legion Standards.

Legion trials were held on July 8-9 2023 in Stellarton.

The official press release from NS/NU Command sports and Athletics NS was held on July 11/23 with team member selections and support staff names.

The 2024-2025 T/F Nationals are scheduled for Calgary Alberta.

A large thank you to Comrade Harry Jackson, who was our NS/NU representative again for 2023.

I thank Athletics Nova Scotia Executive Director Anitra Stevens and staff for all the technical expertise and experience they provide in helping our Command in selecting a track & field team each year.

I also thank our Member Sport Coordinators and Command staff for their time and dedication to the Legion Branches of NS/NU Command.

On June 17/23 I was able to attend and accept a check from the **Frank Deschenes Memorial golf tournament**. This year the expected donation to the Benevolent Fund would be around \$6800.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Hoeg NS/NU Command Sport Chair



## **Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Outreach Committee**

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

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

### **OSISS**

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

They provide peer support to members, veterans and their families who experience symptoms from an operational stress injury (ie PTSD, anxiety, depression, and/or addiction) as a result of service. We have two types of coordinators in the program; a peer support coordinator who is a military veteran who has personally experienced a mental health injury due to their service; and, family peer support coordinators, who have lived experience in supporting a loved

one with an OSI. Because we have similar lived experience, we are able to establish trusting, confidential professional relationships with peers and support them in a non-judgmental, empathetic way.

In addition to peer support via phone, text, email, in-person one-on-one meetings as well as group meetings, we provide resource information to our peers. We know our communities and the resources available within them, including our stakeholders. The Royal Canadian Legion NS/NU Command has been an exceptional support and advocate of our program.

## **Heros Mending on the Fly**

**From HMOTF Coordinator Comrade Ray McEarchern**

Just want to give you a bit of an update on our program so far this year from the director of HMOTF Nova Scotia chapter.

We had very successful fly tying clinics from Jan to May with 10 participants at HRM and 9 in the Valley. We are very fortunate with being provided space one night a week at Bedford Legion and the MFRC in the valley. These programs were both well attended and we had great enthusiasm from the participants. We took these 17 participants to the Margaree from 22 - 25 June for Fly-casting clinic and fishing. We stayed at the Normaway Inn and they were very good at looking after all our needs. We conducted the casting clinic the first day with International Fly casting instructors, Lewis Hinks & Rene Aucoin. These two have been graciously giving their time to our program for 5 years now. This was followed with 2 1/2 days fishing the Margaree. The trip was very successful where everyone tied flies all winter, then learned the skill of fly casting followed by seeing success with casting flies that they tied themselves. I believe there is true healing for our veterans through this program and I am privileged to witness it happening.

I attended the National Retreat at Lac de Neige in Quebec from 6-10 Aug. It was a great opportunity to get together and try to ensure all Provinces are moving forward. We also have the opportunity to provide input for the National level. We spent 2 full mornings conducting meetings and collectively reviewing our

constitution. I believe it was time well spent and feel that this program is truly doing what it is meant to do.

We also have a volunteer retreat planned for the first week of Sept at the Restigouch River Lodge. This location was chosen based on Lodge Manager contacting us and wanting to do something for our program. We will conduct an after action review from this year and plan out next year at this retreat.

As you know, we have some significant movement for HMOTF NS this coming year. Clive Samson is looking at starting a tying program in west arichat/ ile madam area, Lester Leblanc in Chetticamp and Jon McCulloch in Truro. This has high potential to take our number of participants to around 40. This is fantastic and we look forward to working with our new regions to get these programs off the ground. We will be challenged to source additional funding to facilitate this many Regions and participants.

## **Veterans Farm Project**

The Veterans Farm Project has begun to offer Beginner Archary workshops on their farm with certified coaches. Ages will be 10 + and they will supply all necessary equipment. The Farm project is still going strong delivering fresh Vegetables and baked items to local Legions in the Vally. The Farm Project is supported by Legion donations and its many Veteran Volunteers.

## **Buddy Check Coffee**

What is Buddy Check Coffee? BCC is a very simple concept, a scheduled regular get together of veterans that is coordinated and co-marketed by a local host who is a member of BSO Legion OSI. It provides peer support for veterans. BCC is held in a location chosen by the local HOST. It can be a local Legion Branch or a commercial coffee shop. We are here to serve all veterans. Regarding First Responders, that is a local call by hosts and participants. We feel most veterans have an affinity and common ground with first responders but there are some

that do not. We have at NS/NU Command have reached more than 50 Legions that hold a Veterans Coffee Break.

## **Op Vet Build**

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

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

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

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

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

## **PTSD Equine Assisted Wellness Program**

There is an Equine Assisted Wellness Program being offered for Veterans and First Responders with PTSD at Hinchinbrook Farm in Blockhouse over four Fridays beginning on Sept. 29th, 6 Oct, 13 Oct and 20 Oct. This program is fully funded by Mental Health Foundation of Nova Scotia.

## **Paws Fur Thought**

In July we recieved sad news. Our very first service dog Thai passed away. Thai, her Veteran Medic Cousineau and Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command changed this country for Veterans living with post traumatic stress injuries. Some of you have been there from the very beginning with such a fierce determination that caused this life saving support now afforded hundreds of Veterans and their families within our Command and thousands across Canada. With this initiative alone you proved the true mission of our organization. For those later involved or becoming involved let's remember that we are making and can make all the difference in the world.

**VETERANS SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK**  
**REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**Comrades, please refer to the general revenue statement, operating revenue - line 4525, which indicates revenue earned for the current edition of the VSRB.**

**Submission deadline for the 2023 edition, #19, was 31 August and as of that date we had received only 55 submissions for the book. This figure is up from last year but far from the required 350+ submissions required.**

**The following are updated figures for the 2023 edition as recently received from Fenety Marketing:**

*"Despite our surprising success during the Covid Years, **2022/23 are our most challenging years in decades**, as the impact of inflation negatively affected all of our annual projects including private citizens ability to continue supporting our projects at the same level as in the past, combined with unprecedented increases in our material and labor costs. Your 2022 project experienced a (-6.38%) reduction in our gross residential sales to date. The majority of our 2022/23 projects experienced a loss in gross residential sales revenues ranging from -5% to -25%. Our 2023 business sales for your project are currently down (-16.73%) to date, however we do expect to generate additional business sales from follow up calls we have to do for some businesses and we expect our final 2023 business sales will be in line with our final 2022 final business sales results."*

*"The result is that the Nova Scotia Nunavut Command's net earnings **to date** are \$75,975.78, a reduction of (-\$13,658.04), or (-15.24%) below your 2022 final net earnings. However, as we expect additional project revenues over the next 30 days, we expect your final 2023 project's net earnings should be within 7% less of our 2022 project's final net earnings and is projected to be in the range of \$83,000, (-\$6,000 +/-), or (-7%) when everything is said and done."*

**Also included in the report received from Fenety was a forecast for the upcoming future of our publication. Changes will be forthcoming and this Council will be required to make these important decisions in the near future.**

*"The Post Covid fundraising marketplace we are operating in unfortunately has created some significant challenges to Fenety Marketing's bottom line results, which resulted in our organization's gross profit being less than 1% last year."*

*"Subsequently we have to increase our revenues, or reduce our costs moving forward in order to remain a viable organization."*

*"I will be sending you a proposal for a new three-year contract for the years 2025-27. This will unfortunately include an option to either realize a reduction in your Command's annual net returns, or for us to start producing Digital Publications only for your Website using new Flip Book Software which makes our publications easier and more fun to read. The current terms and conditions for our annual project would remain the exact same if you choose the Digital Publication option."*

*"Extensive details regarding these two options will be included in our forthcoming new three-year contract proposal."*

**Comrades, once this new contract has been received and reviewed, Comrade President McCumber will present options to Council for the publication of future editions of our publication. In the meantime, a one-year contract has been agreed to and signed for the year 2024 under the same terms and conditions as our previous five-year contract, except for the elimination of the \$2,500 per year new long term contract signing bonus, as this doesn't apply to a one-year contract.**

The 2023 VSRB edition will be arriving at your Legion branches around Remembrance Day. This is our 19<sup>th</sup> edition of the VSRB, and including our 1<sup>st</sup> book, History of NS/NU Command Branches, will be our 20<sup>th</sup> publication. **As a result of these 20 publications this Command has realized a profit of \$1,590,368.83.**

In closing, I will end this report as I always do, please inform your branches that submissions for these publications are vital to the continuation of this project and their assistance is of utmost importance. ***Our Veterans deserve no less!***

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Wessel, VSRB Chairman / Editor