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

From: Comrade Carrie Hogan
Executive Director
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command, RCL

Subject: NS/NU Command Executive Council Meeting
Minutes - May 23, 2026

Message: Comrades: On behalf of NS/NU Command
Chairman Ron Langevin, please see attached
minutes of Executive Council Meeting –
May 23, 2026

**The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2026**

In Attendance:

George Della Valle	President
Harry Jackson	1st Vice President
Conrad Gilbert	Treasurer
Ron Langevin	Chairman
Clarence Dawe	Commander District A
Arnold MacDonald	Commander District C
Ken Babcock	Commander District D
André Boudreau	Commander District E
Jarrold Selkirk	Commander District G
Janice Watters	Commander Deputy District B
John Quilty	Commander Deputy District F
Carrie Hogan	Executive Director
Jane Scott	Recording Secretary

Observers:

John Langley	Commander Zone 3
Carol Young	Commander Deputy Zone 5

Regrets

Don McCumber	Immediate Past President
Lorne MacDonald	Commander District B
Tom McCormack	Commander District F

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin called the meeting to order at approximately 8.30 am.

1. Opening Ritual

NS/NU Command 1st Vice President Harry Jackson conducted the Opening Ritual.

2. Land Acknowledgement

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin acknowledged the land.

3. Call for Additions to and to Vary from the Agenda

M-1

Moved by Comrade George Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

To vary from and for additions to the agenda when required.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

4. Procedures

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin reviewed the meeting's procedures.

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

5. Service Bureau Report

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-2

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the Service Officer Report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command Chair Ron Langevin assumes the Chair.

6. Minutes of Executive Council Meeting

NS/NU Command Chair Ron Langevin called for errors and omissions from the minutes of the Executive Council Meeting of February 21, 2026.

M-3

Moved by Comrade Clarence Dawe, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the minutes of the Executive Council meeting of February 21, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

8. President's Report

NS/NU Command President George Della Valle referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that NS/NU Command Leadership and Development Committee Chair Glen Leduc and Comrade Tom Young have been visiting branches upon request to deliver Article III training. It is also the goal to provide this training to all Zone and District Commanders by the Fall of 2026.

He informed the meeting that a Guidance Committee has been put in place at Harding Branch 144. A Special Meeting will be held in July for nominations with elections planned to take place in September.

He relayed to the meeting that the Board of Management assigned to Vimy Branch 027 has now completed their mandate. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing financial challenges the branch was ultimately required to close. The Board of Management's responsibilities continued well beyond the closure of the branch; they oversaw the sale of the branch's assets, coordinated the removal of remaining items from the building and ensured they were transported to the Command Office. He extended his sincere

appreciation to the Board of Management for their steadfast efforts with Vimy Branch 027 and for their continued commitment to Command. In addition he acknowledged the work of Comrades Joanne Geddes, Tom McCormack and John Quilty for visiting the Command Office and sorting out the remaining items; ensuring that required records were preserved, items of significance were returned to former branch members and that a final clearance of items was carried out.

9. D.E.C Report

NS/NU Command President George Della Valle referred the meeting to the submitted report. He highlighted that the membership goal for 2026 for The Royal Canadian Legion was to grow membership by 300,000+ members which has already been exceeded; at the time of this report it had reached 320,000.

He outlined the new standardization of the dates of The Poppy Campaign: Effective as of 2026 The Poppy Campaign will commence annually on October 24th and conclude on November 11th.

M-4

Moved by Comrade George Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe.

That the President's Report and D.E.C Report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

10. Finance Report

M-5

Moved by Comrade Harry Jackson, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe

That the year to date as of March 2026 Finance Report be adopted as presented and/or circulated

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention

0 Opposed
Motion Carried

11. Building Report

NS/NU Command Building Committee Chair Harry Jackson referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that 2 of the flagpoles are now standing with the third one being replaced shortly. He aims to have the shelving replaced in the warehouse within the next couple of months.

M-6

Moved by Comrade Harry Jackson, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted Building Committee Report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

12. Treasurer's Report

NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert provided the meeting with a verbal report. He informed the meeting that one GIC has just been renewed and one is coming up for renewal. There are still issues with outstanding Branch Financial Reports.

NS/NU Command President George Della Valle requested that Branches 027 Vimy, 117 Tor Bay and 123 Whycocomagh be removed from the Branch Financial Report List as they are all closed. NS/NU Command Treasurer Conrad Gilbert confirmed that he would remove them.

M-7

Moved by Comrade Conrad Gilbert, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock

That the verbal Treasurer's Report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention

0 Opposed
Motion Carried

13. Correspondence

NS/NU Command Executive Director Carrie Hogan informed the meeting that in accordance with bylaw all correspondence has been dealt with in the day-to-day business of NS/NU Command. She added that she had a couple of items that she would like to share:

- The Commissionaires reached out again this year for a Command Representative to receive a \$2000 donation. She thanked Comrade Tom McCormack for receiving it on behalf of NS/NU Command.
- The Commissionaires sent an invitation for a Command Representative to attend their gala.
- Branch 150 Isle Madame sent a video of their activities and achievements for 2025 – this has been posted on the NS/NU Command Facebook page, she encouraged all to take a look.

M-8

Moved by Comrade Clarence Dawe, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau

That that the verbal report on correspondence being accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

14. Executive Director's Report

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

M-9

Moved by Comrade Ken Babcock, seconded by Comrade Arnold MacDonald.

That the submitted Executive Director's report be accepted.

Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

15. Electronic Voting

NS/NU Command Executive Director Carrie Hogan referred the meeting to the list circulated.

Feb 12, 2026

Personnel Related.

Carried

March 13

NS/NU Command will cover the hotel costs for District Commanders to attend the Dominion Convention for August 2026 in Winnipeg.

Carried

March 18

GIC reinvestment – reinvest \$63,500.00 with a 2-year locked in rate of 3.25%, the remaining \$36,500.00 to be used to fund the Centenary Budget and the interest for the currently maturing GIC to be deposited into the Benevolent Account.

Carried

M-10

Moved by Comrade Ken Babcock seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the electronic vote report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed

Motion Carried

16. District Reports

District A

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

M-11

Moved by Comrade Clarence Dawe, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

District D

NS/NU Command District D Commander Ken Babcock referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that there is still no Zone 11 Commander so on the 17th May along with his Deputy Commander he held the first Zone 11 meeting that they have had in over a year.

M-12

Moved by Comrade Ken Babcock, seconded by Comrade Arnold MacDonald.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

District E

NS/NU Command District E Commander André Boudreau referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that he is still working with Zone Commanders and branches to submit outstanding Branch Monthly Financial Reports.

M-13

Moved by Comrade André Boudreau, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

District F

NS/NU Command Deputy District F Commander John Quilty referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-14

Moved by Comrade John Quilty, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

District G

NS/NU Command Chairman referred the meeting the submitted report.

M-15

Moved by Comrade Jarrod Selkirk, seconded by Comrade Arnold MacDonald.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

17. Committee Reports

Comrade Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Appeals Committee

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin refers the committee to the submitted report.

M-16

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Benevolent Fund

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin referred the committee to the submitted report.

M-17

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin assumes the Chair.

Cadet Medal of Excellence

NS/NU Command Cadet Medal of Excellence Chair André Boudreau referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that next year he needs to outline more clearly to the Cadet Corps that we are looking for 3 separate volunteer events/organizations that the cadets have been able to work with.

M-18

Moved by Comrade André Boudreau, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Complaints

NS/NU Command Complaints Committee Chair Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-19

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command Chair Ron Langevin assumes the Chair.

Camp Hill

M-20

Moved by Comrade John Quilty, seconded by Comrade George Della Valle.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Constitution and Bylaws

NS/NU Command Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chair Harry Jackson referred the meeting to the proposed amendment to NS/NU Command Policy – Terms of Reference – Ritual, Awards and Protocol.

M-21

Moved by Comrade Harry Jackson, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe.

That the amendment to the NS/NU Command Policy and Guidelines Ritual, Awards and Protocol Terms of Reference 1. General be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

He informed the meeting that it has been 6+ years since the Standardized Branch Bylaws were presented to the members of NS/NU Command. He informed the meeting that the Constitution and Law Committee will be following up with branches that are still delinquent in the submittal of the required documentation.

Ritual, Awards and Protocol

NS/NU Command Ritual, Awards and Protocol Committee Chair Joanne Geddes referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-22

Moved by Comrade Joanne Geddes, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Leadership and Development

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-23

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Legion Magazine

NS/NU Command Chair Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-24

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Ron Langevin assumes the Chair

Personnel Committee

NSNU Command Personnel Chair Harry Jackson referred the committee to the submitted report.

M-25

Moved by Comrade Harry Jackson, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Poppy and Remembrance

NS/NU Command Poppy and Remembrance Chair André Boudreau.
referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-26

Moved by Comrade André Boudreau, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Public Relations

NS/NU Command Public Relations Committee Chair Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-27

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Comrade Ron Langevin assumes the Chair.

Grand Parade

NS/NU Command Grand Parade Committee Chair Joanne Geddes referred the meeting to the submitted report. She requested that Comrades start to ask members if they are able to be part of the colour party.

M-28

Moved by Comrade Joanne Geddes, seconded by Comrade George Della Valle.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Sports

NS/NU Command Sports Committee Chair Harry Jackson referred the meeting to the submitted report. He asked District Commanders if they are aware of any branches that would like to donate towards the track and field uniforms please ask them to do so as soon as possible as the ordering will be starting shortly.

M-29

Moved by Comrade Harry Jackson, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Veterans' Outreach

NS/NU Command Veterans' Outreach Committee Chairman John Quilty referred the meeting to the submitted report. He informed the meeting of an amendment - Comrade Jarrod Selkirk to be listed as District G Representative. He informed the meeting that it is the aim of the Veteran Outreach Program Representatives to inform branches of the programs so that they are aware of the programs to which they can donate.

M-30

Moved by Comrade John Quilty, seconded by Comrade Joanne Geddes

That the submitted report as amended be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice-President Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Veterans' Service Recognition Book

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-31

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Arnold MacDonald.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command Chair Ron Langevin assumes the Chair.

Veterans Services & Seniors

NS/NU Command Veterans Services and Seniors Representative John Langley referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-32

Moved by Comrade John Langley, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice-President Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Centenary Ad Hoc Committee

NS/NU Command Centenary Committee Chair Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report. He added that he will shortly be sending out an ABMO regarding the Centenary Parade. It is critical that branches provide numbers for how many will be attending so that the frontage and room required can be organized.

M-33

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command Chair Ron Langevin assumes the Chair.

EDI

M-34

Moved by Comrade John Langley, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Long-Term Care Beds Ad Hoc Committee

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin referred the meeting to the submitted report.

M-35

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Alcohol and Gaming

NS/NU Command Alcohol and Gaming Committee Chair Ken Babcock informed the meeting that an Agreed Statement of Facts pertaining to Branch 003 Glace Bay had been received from Nova Scotia Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel and Tobacco and relayed the details to the meeting.

18. Scheduled Business

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Joanne Geddes assumes the Chair.

Branch 027 Vimy Update

NS/NU Command Board of Management Chair Ron Langevin referred the meeting to his submitted report.

M-36

Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That the submitted report be accepted.

11 Affirmative

0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Special Use of Branch Poppy Fund Applications

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin informed the meeting that concerns had been received regarding a Special Use Application for a large donation from a branch's poppy fund to a hospital for a medical device. Clarification was therefore sought from the Director of Poppy and Remembrance at Dominion Command.

The response outlined that; "The wording in The Poppy Manual does provide Command with the authority to review and determine if a proposed expenditure is appropriate and in keeping with the intent of The Poppy Fund. The manual established the maximum allowable threshold of up to 50% of the current balance of a branch's poppy fund. This, however should not be interpreted as an automatic entitlement to spend that amount and the Provincial Command Poppy Chair is within his authority to question or deny the requested amount if there are concerns regarding the size of the donation related to the branch overall poppy balance, obligations to veterans and their families and the long term sustainability of the fund. The Provincial Poppy Chair must also ensure that there is sufficient information demonstrated that this would be of a direct benefit to veterans and to request evidence that veterans in the community and care system would directly benefit from the device that is being funded."

NS/NU Command Chairman Ron Langevin assumed the Chair.

Discussion ensued, NS/NU Command 2nd Vice-President Joanne Geddes referred to The NS/NU Command Policy and Guidelines – Poppy and Remembrance Committee Terms of Reference where it states, " *The Committee Chair, in conjunction with the Command Executive Director will review and approve/deny all requests from Branches for Special Use of the Branch Poppy Trust Funds based on the criteria as set out in the Poppy Manual of the Royal Canadian Legion.*" She informed the meeting that this branch has made donations of this nature over the past 8 years and there are no concerns over the balance of the poppy fund. She therefore recommends that the branch be able to resubmit the Special Use Application for approval.

There was further discussion; NS/NU Command Poppy and Remembrance Chair André Boudreau relayed to the meeting that the donation of poppy funds to hospitals is also a

concern of the National Poppy and Remembrance Committee as there has been discussion around receiving proof that the equipment is being used by veterans within the community.

M-37

Moved by Comrade John Quilty, seconded by Comrade George Della Valle.

To follow The Poppy Manual when it comes to approving Special Use requests for donations to local hospitals for medical equipment.

8 Affirmative
1 Abstention
(Ken Babcock)
2 Opposed (André
Boudreau, Clarence
Dawe).

Motion Carried

Donation Minister Barbara Adams

NS/NU Command Executive Director Carrie Hogan informed the meeting that she was contacted by Kyle Graham from Minister Barbara Adams' office regarding a donation of \$16,000 to NS/NU Command. She indicated that she would like it to be shared with our branches, suggestions for use such as to the Benevolent Fund, programs within Veteran Outreach such as Buddy Check Coffee and Operation Vet Build and recouperation on some of the money being spent on centenary events have been taken back to the Minister and we are currently waiting for a response.

Alarm System

NS/NU Command Executive Director Carrie Hogan informed the meeting that due to a recent incident at the Command Office she had consulted with the current alarm company regarding having a panic button system installed. They advised that our existing system is outdated and requires an upgrade to support this function. The estimated cost for the system upgrade is approximately \$1000.

M-38

Moved by Comrade Ken Babcock, seconded by Comrade Joanne Geddes.

To proceed with the alarm upgrade and installation of the panic button system.

Mileage

NS/NU Command Treasurer Comrade Conrad Gilbert informed the meeting that the current mileage rate is set as per NS/NU Command Bylaw 814 AIV:

Kilometric rate for mileage allowance shall be adjusted quarterly at a minimum of 10 cents lower than the rate within the tables as set by The National Joint Council Appendix B. He explained for changes to be made a resolution would need to be submitted. NS/NU Command 1st Vice President Harry Jackson suggested that the Constitution and Law Committee look at the current mileage allowance and if they propose an amendment they can put it out for electronic vote by Executive Council.

Plaques for Branches celebrating their Centenary Year in 2026

M-39

Moved by Comrade George Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Joanne Geddes.

To have plaques made for the branches celebrating their centenary in the Legion centenary year of 2026.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Resolutions

NS/NU Command Resolutions Committee Chair Conrad Gilbert informed the meeting that 9 resolutions were submitted to the NS/NU Command Resolutions Committee for review, 3 were concurred and forwarded to Dominion Command. Previous concurred resolutions from NS/NU 2025 convention were previously submitted to Dominion Command.

19. Other Business

Royal Commonwealth Ex-Services League (RCEL) Donation

M-40

Moved by Comrade George Della Valle, seconded by Comrade Clarence Dawe.

To take a \$1000 donation from NS/NU Command for the RCEL to the 2026 Dominion Convention in Winnipeg.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Elsie Jean Lambert Scholarship

NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Harry Jackson read the NS/NU Command Terms of the Reference for the Elsie-Jean Lambert Scholarship outlining that the money has to be reinvested every year and the interest applied has to be applied to the scholarship. Thereby there is no requirement for an electronic vote every year.

M-41

Moved by Comrade Harry Jackson, seconded by Comrade Ken Babcock.

That we proceed with the Terms of Reference for the Elsie Jean Lambert scholarship and not have an electronic vote every year.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

Centenary Legion Beer

NS/NU Command President George Della Valle reminded the meeting that the Legion Centenary beer is available for order. Details can be found in ABMO # 53.

District A

NS/NU Command District A Commander Clarence Dawe informed the meeting that one of their members Comrade Ernest Buist recently celebrated his 108th birthday, he is a WWII Veteran who survived D-Day in Normandy. District A presented him with a plaque.

He requested that NS/NU Command provide some in-person training for branches in District A. He encouraged all to remember the chain of command so that issues can be addressed in accordance with the Bylaws and that Zone and District Commanders address issues within their own jurisdictions.

20. President's Closing Remarks

NS/NU Command President George Della Valle thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He said that there is a lot to look forward to this summer with the centenary events including the parade in Halifax. He encourages all to help with the parade and branch centenary celebrations.

Dominion Convention is taking place in Winnipeg in August . The September Executive Council Meeting will be in-person at the Command Office, the Lieutenant Governor has invited 80 members to his residence for a meet and greet; this will include Executive Council Members. He will also be meeting the Lieutenant Governor next week at Branch 138, Ashby. He wished everyone a safe and enjoyable summer.

21. Motion For Adjournment

M-42

Moved by Comrade Clarence Dawe, seconded by Comrade André Boudreau

That the meeting be adjourned at approximately 11.00 am.

11 Affirmative

0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

21. Next Meeting

The next Executive Council meeting date will be confirmed and circulated by NS/NU Command Executive Director Carrie Hogan.

22. Closing Ritual

The Closing Ritual was conducted by NS/NU Command 2nd Vice President Joanne Geddes.



George Della Valle
President
Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
The Royal Canadian Legion

Carrie Hogan
Executive Director
Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
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Command Service Bureau Report Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command

The Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Service Bureau provides dedicated support to our Veterans through assistance with Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) disability benefit applications, reviews and appeals.

2026 Update:

- Since returning from training in January 2026, Leah has registered 33 new claims for 27 veterans. Bethany has registered four new claims since returning in April.
- Eight full applications have been submitted and are awaiting decisions.
- As of May 2026, one decision was rendered in favour.
- A total of five veterans have been re-directed to Dominion Command for assistance with appeals.

Leah:

In March 2026, Service Officer Alexa Pasha from Dominion Command came to provide further training and assistance as I transitioned fully into my role as service officer. When Bethany returned from leave, I showed her the processes that were taught to me during the week of March 16th to 20th.

Bethany:

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to this Command for the unwavering support, encouragement, and well wishes you extended to me during my absence. It means so much to me.

Bethany Buffett
Command Service Officer
Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command

Leah Parker
Command Service Officer
Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command

President's and DEC Report to Executive Council

May 23, 2026

Comrades:

Welcome to our May, 2026 AGM and Executive Council Meeting. Since our last EC meeting in February, I have attended numerous branch events throughout the Command. These visits have given me the opportunity to meet many of our Comrades and fellow Veterans throughout our Command. I had the pleasure of attending Honours and Awards at both Br 138 Ashby and Br 78 Dominion. I was the Reviewing Officer for 785 Army Cadet Corps, Sydney, I will also be attending the Change of Command and I was asked to be the Reviewing Officer for 45 A/M Edwards Air Cadets Squadron and 2878 Highlander, Army Cadets Corps later this month

Comrades beside all the visits, Command is hard at work dealing with Article 3 complaints as they seem to be on the rise more and it seems to be more against the senior leadership of the Branches. I urge all branches to review their terms of office and the Article 3 complaints section in the future. Many of these complaints should and could be resolved at the Branch level. These complaints can certainly affect the morale of the entire Branch. Comrades Glen Leduc and Tom Young have been going around to branches and presenting the Article 3 packages. Comrade Glen Leduc has been working on our new Harassment Policy and presentation which will be released later on. Also Comrade Langley is working on a EDI presentation which had its roll out at our DEC meeting in April.

Comrades: continuing on the subject of Branches after many

complaints from members as well as the District and Zone Commanders, I have put in place a Guidance Team to look into Branch 144 Harding. More to follow as the team are just starting their investigation and I have not received a report yet.

The NS/NU Command Centenary Committee has been working on special events for the centenary this year. We have partnered with the Nova Scotia International Tattoo and Cold Stream Brewing for a special labelled can of beer. A parade on the 17th July will be our Centenary Parade down Lower Water Street in Halifax to the ceremony location on the waterfront with a reception at the Fleet Club (Comrade Ron will have an update in his report) as well as this branches are marking the occasion with small parades and receptions through the Nova Scotia and Nunavut Command.

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command had 12 branches that applied for the Legion Capital Assistance Program for 2026. This program is available through our provincial government whereby branches can apply for capital projects. This grant is a 50/50 share with the government up to a maximum of \$10,000 for the project. This program is limited to 100,000 every year.

Comrades in April I had the opportunity to attend my second and full DEC meeting in Ottawa. This was an opportunity to meet all the members of the Dominion Command team from Executive Council members to the staff of all departments at the Command Head Quarters in Ottawa. You can read the full DEC report on the Dominion Command website, my DEC report has a few of the highlights of the meeting. I can assure you that the members of Dominion Executive Council are working on our behalf and are doing all they can in the best interests of our Branches and our Veterans.

Comrades as we deliberate this weekend we will have several important issues to deal with. The first one will be the AGM/Budget which will be set to give us a guideline to proceed with projects and the overall operation of our Command for the next year. During this meeting we will hear from the District Commanders as well as the Command Treasurer on how each branch is doing in each District. I know some are doing very well, however there are some that may need assistance to bring up to date their financial reports. There are a few that are almost a year behind. I have spoken to the District Commanders in each case. Branches need to know that we are here to support them, please don't hesitate to let them know to contact the Command Office before its too late.

In closing I would like to thank the Command staff and the Members of Executive Council for the support you have given me and all the extra time you all spend with the Operation of our Command.

Thank You All

George DellaValle

President

Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

Royal Canadian Legion

DEC Report

Comrades

I attended the DEC/PED April 24-25 2026 meeting at Legion House in Ottawa. The work by all committees and staff was evident to all who attended the 3 day event. The agenda for the weekend was a busy one, we started off on Friday with the EDI Awareness program presentation and then a presentation from the Royal Canadian Mint on the new Centenary coins, and no we didn't get to see them or were we given any free samples to take home. Over the next 2 days Saturday and Sunday our DEC meeting was active with discussions and deliberations. Following is a brief summary of the information that was discussed. A full report of the DEC minutes can be viewed on the Dominion Command Website.

Membership

Legion membership grew in 2025 for the fourth consecutive year, and thanks to our Centenary strategic plan our organization is guaranteed to grow again in 2026. As of writing this report it looks like we will make it over the expected 300,000 + members this year. At the DEC meeting in April new membership had reached 80,000+ that weekend and are averaging 1000 new members per day. Renewals are 80+ % at this time.

EDI Awareness Program - Strategic Rollout

The first phase of our national EDI awareness program rollout began with the in-person awareness session for all DEC members and PED's at the April DEC meetings. This is a significant program rollout at a time when we are introducing a record number of new members to the Legion. The current plan is to launch this awareness program for all branches and members at the Dominion Convention. We are working with a third-party supplier, Empowered, to roll out the program across the organization in 2026. An EDI Workshop will take place at Dominion Convention. All my notes and handouts of the presentation were passed over to our Provincial EDI Chair for his report.

50th Dominion Convention

Our 50th Dominion Convention is scheduled for August 22 -26 in Winnipeg and planning continues to ensure our itinerary honours and celebrates our 100th anniversary. The Convention Call was distributed in early February, and we continue to work on a strong business program in addition to a few surprises for attending delegates. Expectations are for over 1,000 delegates to attend.

POPPY CAMPAIGN DURATION – STANDARDIZATION OF CAMPAIGN DAYS

The Poppy and Remembrance Committee proposed establishing a fixed campaign start date to provide greater predictability, improve planning and exposure, and support more consistent national outcomes. At the previous Poppy and Remembrance Committee of the Whole Meeting, Committee members and Provincial Poppy Chairs were invited to provide feedback on this proposal. The rationale was well received, and there was clear support for implementing this standardized campaign start date.

RECOMMENDATION: That, effective 2026, the Poppy Campaign commence annually on 24 October and conclude on 11 November, and that the Poppy Manual and General By-Laws be amended accordingly.

CENTENNIAL REMEMBRANCE INITIATIVE

The Centennial Remembrance Initiative will mark the Legion's 100th anniversary through a coordinated national day of reflection, recognition, and engagement on July 17, 2026. Branches will be invited to host commemorative ceremonies, open houses, and participate in a nationwide Remembrance initiative by gathering handwritten messages from Canadians. These contributions will form part of a national tribute, including commemorative mosaic murals honouring the Fallen, alongside educational and digital content designed to engage communities and deepen public understanding of the Legion's legacy. Branches will soon be receiving these packages to write down something for this initiative, all post-it pieces will be on display at the convention.

RITUAL, AWARDS AND PROTOCOL

Comrades I was asked by our Ritual, Awards and Protocol Chair to bring up an item that our RAP committee felt was wrong, it was the wearing of the 100 Anniversary Pin. I explained to the DEC Members that this was not right with points provided by our committee. I was asked right there to put it to a motion for a vote, Comrade President Berkley put forward the motion that reads "That the Legion follows its current Legion Dress code to allow the Legion Centenary Commemorative Pin to be worn on the right lapel of the Legion blazer and directly below the Support our Troops pin. The pin will be worn from April 1st to 31 December 2026 period only." The Vote was unanimously approved by DEC. I would like thank our RAP Chair and her committee for picking this up and addressing it so it could be rectified.

Finance Report May 23, 2026

Harry Jackson – Chair

George Della Valle – President

JoAnne Geddes – 2 VP

Conrade Gilbert – Treasurer

Carrie Hogan ED – Secretary

Comrades

Monthly financial statements are being reviewed, and copies are being sent to members of the executive council.

The finance committee reviews all command investments on a regular basis.

The audit was held on April 15 with Baker Tilly, which there was question asked from both side of the room. The audit will be present at the AGM.

Respectfully submitted

Harry Jackson

Finance Chair

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)

March-26

Actual March-26	Budget March-26	Variance March-26
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YTD, 2026

Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
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OPERATING REVENUE

General Revenue

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,662.78	\$ 3,750.00	\$ (1,087.22)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 21,740.86	\$ 26,375.00	\$ (4,634.14)
\$ 6,065.46	\$ 6,250.00	\$ (184.54)
\$ 30,569.10	\$ 36,375.00	\$ (5,805.90)

4015	Percentage of Dominion Sales Revenue
4100	Taxable Command Supply Sale
4200	Interest Income
4250	Postage & Courier Income - (non-poppy)
4050	Miscellaneous Revenue
4280	Taxable Command Supply Sale-General
4350	NS/NU Convention Revenue
4400	Per Capita Tax (Current Membership Fees) per
4525	Veterans Service Recognition Booklet
4526	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE

\$ 8,515.19	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 515.19
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
\$ 7,730.99	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (37,269.01)
\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ (10.00)
\$ 84.39	\$ 500.00	\$ (415.61)
\$ -		\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 53,588.06	\$ 105,000.00	\$ (51,411.94)
\$ 33,338.54	\$ 75,000.00	\$ (41,661.46)
\$ 103,257.17	\$ 234,510.00	\$ (131,252.83)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

General Expenses

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 11,750.12	\$ 12,174.28	\$ (424.16)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 483.13	\$ 496.94	\$ (13.81)
\$ 190.04	\$ 280.89	\$ (90.85)
\$ 276.96	\$ 274.84	\$ 2.12
\$ 61.96	\$ 63.31	\$ (1.35)
\$ 952.66	\$ 268.75	\$ 683.91
\$ 271.76	\$ 720.00	\$ (448.24)
\$ 480.77	\$ 746.67	\$ (265.90)
\$ 237.72	\$ 625.00	\$ (387.28)
\$ 1,482.00	\$ 2,083.33	\$ (601.33)
\$ -	\$ 2,083.33	\$ (2,083.33)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,027.47	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 27.47
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 502.82	\$ 416.67	\$ 86.15
\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ (250.00)
\$ 85.98	\$ 41.67	\$ 44.31
\$ 81.48	\$ -	\$ 81.48
\$ 179.33	\$ 166.67	\$ 12.66
\$ 18,064.20	\$ (4,128.14)	\$ (4,128.14)

5020	Branch Supplies Purchases
5130	Salaries - General
5135	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
5235	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
	Total General Expenses

\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
\$ 34,548.84	\$ 105,510.44	\$ (70,961.60)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,776.35	\$ 5,963.26	\$ (4,186.91)
\$ 712.41	\$ 3,370.70	\$ (2,658.29)
\$ 666.96	\$ 3,298.08	\$ (2,631.12)
\$ 228.92	\$ 759.68	\$ (530.76)
\$ 952.66	\$ 3,225.00	\$ (2,272.34)
\$ 643.07	\$ 8,640.00	\$ (7,996.93)
\$ 5,323.86	\$ 8,960.00	\$ (3,636.14)
\$ 1,161.28	\$ 7,500.00	\$ (6,338.72)
\$ 5,187.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (19,813.00)
\$ 9,120.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (15,880.00)
\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (50,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
\$ 3,082.41	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (8,917.59)
\$ 1,289.34	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (4,710.66)
\$ 992.97	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (4,007.03)
\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)
\$ 277.44	\$ 500.00	\$ (222.56)
\$ 203.70	\$ 200.00	\$ 3.70
\$ 554.28	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,445.72)
\$ 66,721.49	\$ 278,427.16	\$ -211,705.67

Occupancy Expenses

\$ 1,007.50	\$ 916.67	\$ 90.83
\$ 30.00	\$ 41.67	\$ (11.67)
\$ 227.86	\$ 100.00	\$ 127.86
\$ 566.49	\$ 296.88	\$ 269.62
\$ 540.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 40.00
\$ 964.08	\$ 1,233.33	\$ (269.25)
\$ 3,335.93	\$ 3,088.54	\$ 247.39

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

\$ 3,265.32	\$ 11,000.00	\$ (7,734.68)
\$ 90.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (410.00)
\$ 227.86	\$ 600.00	\$ (372.14)
\$ 2,252.56	\$ 3,562.50	\$ (1,309.94)
\$ 1,813.66	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (4,186.34)
\$ 2,892.24	\$ 14,800.00	\$ (11,907.76)
\$ 10,541.64	\$ 36,462.50	\$ (25,920.86)

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General Fund - General Statement (2 Pages)

March-26

Actual Budget Variance
March-26 March-26 March-26

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 12.50	\$ (12.50)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 2,083.33	\$ (2,083.33)
\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ (25.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,250.00	\$ (1,250.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 16.50	\$ 3,041.67	\$ (3,025.17)
\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 629.92	\$ 250.00	\$ 379.92
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (1,200.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,176.59	\$ 250.00	\$ 926.59
\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)
\$ 87.18	\$ 41.64	\$ 45.54
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,410.19	\$ 9,254.14	\$ (6,843.95)

\$ 23,810.32	\$ 8,214.54	\$ (10,724.70)
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\$ 6,758.78	\$ 28,160.46	\$ 4,918.80
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YTD, 2026

Actual Budget 2026 Variance
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Convention Cost

5385 NS/NU Comm Convention Costs - General
5390 Dominion Convention Costs - General

Total Convention Cost

\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)
\$ 1,626.66	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (18,373.34)
\$ 1,626.66	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (23,373.34)

Travel & Allowances

5402 Personnel Committee - General
5405 Legion Magazine - General
5410 Council Officers Allowance - General
5415 NS/NU Executive Council Expense - General
5420 Hospitality - General
5425 Sub-Exec (Special Call) - General
5435 Membership Committee - General
5440 Honours & Awards/By-Laws Committee - General
5445 Finance/Bldg Committee - General
5450 Cadet Medal Committee - General
5455 Resolutions Committee - General
5460 Gaming & Alcohol Committee - General
5465 Veterans Serv & Legion Seniors - Gen
5470 Special Functions - General
5475 Appeal Committee
5477 Mediation/Investigation
5480 Command President Exp - General
5485 Public Relations - Adv - General
5486 Centenary Committee
5487 Veterans Service Recognition Booklet
5489 Dist Commanders Allotted Expenses (fr.VSRB)
5490 Executive Directors Expense - General
5492 Bursary Committee Expenses
5493 Trustees Inventory Committee
5495 Legion Leadership & Dev Comm
5496 Complaint Committee - General
5497 Administrative Other - General
5498 Treasurer Expenses - General
5535 NS Veterans Organization
5546 Grand Parade - General
5952 Veterans Services Bk. Charges

Total Travel & Allowances

\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ (150.00)
\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (20,000.00)
\$ 497.92	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (24,502.08)
\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ (600.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)
\$ 171.80	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,828.20)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ (600.00)
\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)
\$ 45.10	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (15,045.10)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 15,016.50	\$ 36,500.00	\$ (21,483.50)
\$ 1,500.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (4,500.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 659.92	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,340.08)
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (1,200.00)
\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)
\$ 1,469.39	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (1,530.61)
\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ (600.00)
\$ 87.18	\$ 500.00	\$ (412.82)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 19,357.61	\$ 127,250.00	\$ (107,892.39)

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES

\$ 98,247.40	\$ 467,139.66	\$ (368,892.26)
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Administration NET INCOME (LOSS)

\$ 5,009.77	\$ (232,629.66)	\$ 237,639.43
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RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Programs Fund - Programs Statement

March-26

Actual	Budget	Variance
March-26	March-26	March-26

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)
\$ 195.10	\$ 100.00	\$ 95.10
\$ -	\$ 334.00	\$ (334.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 195.10	\$ 734.00	\$ (538.90)

\$ 195.10	\$ 734.00	\$ 334.00
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\$ (195.10)	\$ (734.00)	\$ 538.90
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YTD, 2026

Actual	Budget 2026	Variance
YTD		YTD

PROGRAM REVENUE

4450 Leadership Training Camp Income
- (incl donation fr Lotto & VSRB)

4285 Miscellaneous Income -LTC

4550 Sports Revenues

Total Program Revenue

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

PROGRAM EXPENSES

5545 Leadership Training Camp

5556 Trust 1 Bursary

TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

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

SPORTS EXPENSES

5505 Sports Committee Expense - General

5510 Darts Expense - General

5520 Cribbage Expense - General

5522 8 Ball Pool - General

5525 Track & Field Expense - General

TOTAL SPORTS EXPENSES

\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
\$ 195.10	\$ 300.00	\$ (104.90)
\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
\$ -	\$ 27,000.00	\$ (27,000.00)
\$ 195.10	\$ 29,800.00	\$ (29,604.90)

TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

\$ 195.10	\$ 29,800.00	\$ (29,604.90)
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\$ (195.10)	\$ (29,800.00)	\$ 29,604.90
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**RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Poppy Fund - Poppy Statement**

March-26

Actual	Budget	Variance
March-26	March-26	March-26

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,147.56	\$ -	\$ (1,147.56)
\$ 6,162.91	\$ -	\$ 6,162.91
\$ 1,451.13	\$ -	\$ 1,451.13
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,226.36	\$ 1,083.33	\$ 143.03
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 9,987.96	\$ 1,083.33	\$ 6,609.51

\$ 833.23	\$ -	\$ 833.23
\$ 4,564.95	\$ -	\$ 4,564.95
\$ 5,398.18	\$ -	\$ 5,398.18

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 380.80	\$ 239.79	\$ 141.01
\$ -	\$ 91.67	\$ (91.67)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 120.19	\$ 186.67	\$ (66.48)
\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
\$ 16.86	\$ 16.67	\$ 0.19
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 67.94	\$ 180.00	\$ (112.06)
\$ 59.43	\$ 125.00	\$ (65.57)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 4,722.58	\$ 14,286.84	\$ (9,564.26)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 8,333.15	\$ 6,605.68	\$ 1,727.48
\$ 317.55	\$ 89.58	\$ 227.97
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 14,018.50	\$ 33,921.89	\$ (19,903.39)

\$ 924.82	\$ -	\$ (924.82)
\$ 924.82	\$ -	\$ (924.82)

\$ 20,341.50	\$ 33,921.89	\$ (15,430.03)
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\$ (10,353.54)	\$ (32,838.55)	\$ 22,039.53
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YTD, 2026

Actual	Budget 2026	Variance
YTD	YTD	

POPPY REVENUE

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,330.30	\$ 85,000.00	\$ (83,669.70)
\$ 6,162.91	\$ 450,000.00	\$ (443,837.09)
\$ 10,627.02	\$ 100,000.00	\$ (89,372.98)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,330.90	\$ 13,000.00	\$ (9,669.10)
\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
\$ 21,451.13	\$ 648,500.00	\$ (627,048.87)

Poppy Purchases

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

\$ 998.07	\$ 57,000.00	\$ (56,001.93)
\$ 4,564.95	\$ 350,000.00	\$ (345,435.05)
\$ 5,563.02	\$ 407,000.00	\$ (401,436.98)

Poppy Expenses

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

\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,261.24	\$ 2,877.50	\$ (1,616.26)
\$ -	\$ 1,100.00	\$ (1,100.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,254.03	\$ 2,240.00	\$ (985.97)
\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)
\$ 57.36	\$ 200.00	\$ (142.64)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 160.77	\$ 2,160.00	\$ (1,999.23)
\$ 290.33	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,209.67)
\$ 1,275.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ (25.00)
\$ 16,391.59	\$ 123,819.24	\$ (107,427.65)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,730.97	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (2,269.03)
\$ 25,113.99	\$ 79,268.10	\$ (54,154.11)
\$ 317.55	\$ 1,075.00	\$ (757.45)
\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 48,852.83	\$ 235,539.84	\$ (186,687.01)

Travel & Allowances

5430	Poppy Committee
	Total Travel & Allowances

\$ 1,064.82	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (1,135.18)
\$ 1,064.82	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (1,135.18)

TOTAL POPPY EXPENDITURES

\$ 55,480.67	\$ 644,739.84	\$ (589,259.17)
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Poppy Net Income (Loss)

\$ (34,029.54)	\$ 3,760.16	\$ (37,789.70)
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Elsie Jean Lambert Fund - EJ Lambert Statement

March-26

YTD, 2026

Actual March-26	Budget March-26	Variance March-26
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Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
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\$ 478.16	\$ 541.67	\$ (63.51)
\$ 478.16	\$ 541.67	\$ (63.51)

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

\$ 1,418.54	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (5,081.46)
\$ 1,418.54	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (5,081.46)

\$ 1,429.11	\$ 5.42	\$ 1,423.69
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -
\$ 1,429.11	\$ 5.42	\$ 1,423.69

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

\$ 1,441.11	\$ 65.00	\$ 1,376.11
\$ -	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (6,500.00)
		\$ -
\$ 1,441.11	\$ 6,565.00	\$ (5,123.89)

TOTAL LAMBERT EXPENSES

\$ (950.95)	\$ 536.25	\$ (1,487.20)
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Net Income (Loss)	\$ (22.57)	\$ (65.00)	\$ 42.43
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RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Benevolent Fund - Benevolent Statement

March-26

YTD, 2026

Actual	Budget	Variance
March-26	March-26	March-26

Actual	Budget 2026	Variance
YTD		YTD

BENEVOLENT REVENUE

\$	2,000.00	\$	-	\$	2,000.00
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
\$	1,016.04	\$	1,000.00	\$	16.04
\$	3,016.04	\$	1,000.00	\$	2,016.04

4810 Donations - Benevolent
4815 Veterans Transition Program
4820 Interest Income - Benevolent

TOTAL BENEVOLENT REVENUE

\$	17,885.55	\$	37,000.00	\$	(19,114.45)
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
\$	2,878.02	\$	12,000.00	\$	(9,121.98)
\$	20,763.57	\$	49,000.00	\$	(28,236.43)

BENEVOLENT EXPENSES

\$	2,623.71	\$	4,500.00	\$	(1,876.29)
\$	8.00	\$	10.42	\$	(2.42)

5810 Benevolent Disbursements
5820 Bank Charges

TOTAL BENEVOLENT EXPENSES

\$	14,123.88	\$	54,000.00	\$	(39,876.12)
\$	17.89	\$	125.00	\$	(107.11)

\$	14,141.77	\$	54,125.00	\$	(39,983.23)
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\$	384.33	\$	(3,510.42)	\$	3,894.75
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Total Benevolent Net Income (Loss)

\$	6,621.80	\$	(5,125.00)	\$	11,746.80
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March-26

YTD, 2026

Actual	Budget	Variance
M-26	M-26	M-26

Actual	Budget 2026	Variance
YTD		YTD

VETERANS OUTREACH REVENUE

\$	-	\$	26,750.00	\$	(26,750.00)
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4553 Veterans Outreach Program

\$	-	\$	49,000.00	\$	(49,000.00)
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VETERANS OUTREACH EXPENSES

\$	-	\$	4,083.33	\$	(4,083.33)
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5830 Veterans Outreach Program

\$	-	\$	49,000.00	\$	(49,000.00)
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\$	-	\$	22,666.67	\$	(22,666.67)
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Total Veterans Outreach Net Income (Loss)

\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
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RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Summary - General Fund

January-26

YTD, 2026

Actual M-26	Budget M-26	Variance M-26			Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
\$ 30,569.10	\$ 36,375.00	\$ (5,805.90)	Revenue - General	Total	\$ 103,257.17	\$ 234,510.00	\$ (131,252.83)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Revenue - Programs	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 30,569.10	\$ 36,375.00	\$ (5,805.90)		Revenue Total	\$ 103,257.17	\$ 234,510.00	\$ (131,252.83)
\$ 23,810.32	\$ 8,545.14	\$ 15,265.18	Expense - General	Total	\$ 98,247.40	\$ 467,139.66	\$ (368,892.26)
\$ 195.10	\$ 734.00	\$ (538.90)	Expense - Programs	Total	\$ 195.10	\$ 29,800.00	\$ (29,604.90)
\$ 24,005.42	\$ 9,279.14	\$ 14,726.28		Expense Total	\$ 98,442.50	\$ 496,939.66	\$ (398,497.16)
\$ 6,563.68	\$ 27,095.86	\$ (20,532.18)	Net Income (Loss)		\$ 4,814.67	\$ (262,429.66)	\$ 267,244.33

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Summary - Poppy Fund

March-26

YTD, 2026

Actual M-26	Budget M-26	Variance M-26			Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
\$ 9,987.96	\$ 1,083.33	\$ 8,904.63	Revenue - Poppy	Total	\$ 21,451.13	\$ 648,500.00	\$ (627,048.87)
\$ 9,987.96	\$ 1,083.33	\$ 8,904.63		Revenue Total	\$ 21,451.13	\$ 648,500.00	\$ (627,048.87)
\$ 20,341.50	\$ 33,921.89	\$ (13,580.39)	Expense - Poppy	Total	\$ 55,480.67	\$ 644,739.84	\$ (589,259.17)
\$ 20,341.50	\$ 33,921.89	\$ (13,580.39)		Expense Total	\$ 55,480.67	\$ 644,739.84	\$ (589,259.17)
\$ (10,353.54)	\$ (32,838.55)	\$ 22,485.01	Net Income (Loss)		\$ (34,029.54)	\$ 3,760.16	\$ (37,789.70)

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

March-26

YTD, 2026

Actual M-26	Budget M-26	Variance M-26			Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
\$ 478.16	\$ 541.67	\$ (63.51)	Revenue - Lambert	Total	\$ 1,418.54	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (5,081.46)
\$ 478.16	\$ 541.67	\$ (63.51)		Revenue Total	\$ 1,418.54	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (5,081.46)
\$ 1,429.11	\$ 5.42	\$ 1,423.69	Expense - Lambert	Total	\$ 1,441.11	\$ 6,565.00	\$ (5,123.89)
\$ 1,429.11	\$ 5.42	\$ 1,423.69		Expense Total	\$ 1,441.11	\$ 6,565.00	\$ (5,123.89)
\$ (950.95)	\$ 536.25	\$ (1,487.20)	Net Income (Loss)		\$ (22.57)	\$ (65.00)	\$ 42.43

\$ 46,082.00

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Summary - Benevolent Fund

March-26

YTD, 2026

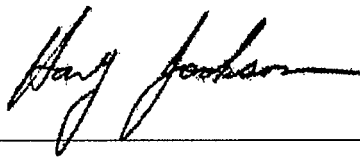
Actual M-26	Budget M-26	Variance M-26		Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
\$ 3,016.04	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,016.04	Revenue -Benevolent	\$ 20,763.57	\$ 49,000.00	\$ (28,236.43)
\$ -	\$ 26,750.00		Revenue -Veterans Outreach	\$ -	\$ 49,000.00	\$ (49,000.00)
\$ 3,016.04	\$ 27,750.00	\$ (24,733.96)	Revenue Total	\$ 20,763.57	\$ 98,000.00	\$ (77,236.43)
\$ 2,631.71	\$ 4,510.42	\$ (1,878.71)	Expense - Benevolent	\$ 14,141.77	\$ 54,125.00	\$ (39,983.23)
\$ -	\$ 4,083.33	\$ (4,083.33)	Expense -Veterans Outreach	\$ -	\$ 49,000.00	\$ (49,000.00)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Expense - PAWS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,631.71	\$ 8,593.75	\$ (5,962.04)	Expense Total	\$ 14,141.77	\$ 103,125.00	\$ (88,983.23)
\$ 384.33	\$ 19,156.25	\$ (18,771.92)	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 6,621.80	\$ (5,125.00)	\$ 11,746.80

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Grand Summary All Funds

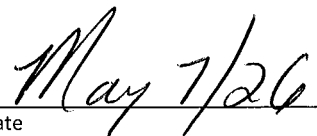
January-26

YTD, 2026

Actual M-26	Budget M-26	Variance M-26		Actual YTD	Budget 2026	Variance YTD
\$ 44,051.26	\$ 65,750.00	\$ (21,698.74)	Revenue	\$ 146,890.41	\$ 987,510.00	\$ (840,619.59)
\$ 48,407.74	\$ 51,800.20	\$ (3,392.46)	Expenses	\$ 169,506.05	\$ 1,251,369.50	\$ (1,081,863.45)
\$ (4,356.48)	\$ 13,949.80	\$ (18,306.28)	Net Income	\$ (22,615.64)	\$ (263,859.50)	\$ 241,243.86



Approved



Date

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

March-26

Visa Points	19,743
Plus: Current Points Earned	6,105
Less: Redeemed Points	
	25,848

	GL Acct	Purchase Date	Orig. Invest.	Int. Rate	Term- Month	Maturity	Balance Sheet Value as of Last month	March-26 New Balance Sheet Value
Scotiabank Investment Listing:								
GIC IWL2B2-Elsie Jean Lambert	1155	07-May-25	\$200,000.00	2.91%	12	07-May-26	\$204,765.65	\$205,243.81
GIC BNS (long term)	1154	08-Dec-25	\$25,000.00	3.00%	24	08-Dec-27	\$25,172.60	\$25,234.25
GIC (long term)BW96	1153	08-Dec-25	\$100,000.00	3.00%	24	08-Dec-27	\$100,690.68	\$100,936.99
GIC (long term) SMC	1196	08-Dec-25	\$80,000.00	3.00%	24	08-Dec-27	\$80,552.33	\$80,749.59
GIC BWCB	1157	08-Dec-25	\$70,000.00	3.50%	24	08-Dec-27	\$70,483.29	\$70,655.89
GIC	1179	05-Nov-24	\$50,000.00	3.65%	24	05-Nov-26	\$52,431.35	\$52,586.83
BNS 2HR9YM GIC	1197	23-Mar-26	\$63,500.00	3.25%	24	23-Mar-28	\$63,500.00	\$63,550.89
SMC GIC - Benevelonet (replacement)	1112	02-Sep-25	\$351,607.67	3.30%	24	Sep-27	\$335,400.25	\$336,295.32
			\$940,107.67				\$932,996.15	\$935,253.57

BURSARY FUNDING (and INFORMATION)

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

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Balance Sheet As at Mar 31, 2026

ASSET

Current Assets

Petty Cash	287.03
Emergency Cash-Poppy	2,004.50
RBC-General	102.13
Scotiabank - General ..*5119	553,502.40
Scotiabank - Poppy ..*7014	849,698.11
Scotiabank -Veteran S Recog ..*...	8,608.38
Scotiabank - Benevolent ..0813	694,907.09
GIC Aug 30, 2025 4.5%	336,295.32
MTCC LT GIC BW96 3% Dec 20...	100,936.99
BNS LT GIC 3% Dec 2027	25,234.25
GIC CSWBH- Lambert May 7, 20...	205,243.81
BNS KT GIC BWCB 3% Dec 2027	70,655.89
Scotiabank Invest Nov5/26 3.65%	52,586.83
SMC LT GIC 3% Dec 2027	80,749.59
BNS 2HR9YM- March 2028 3.25%	63,550.89
Accounts Receivable Control	25,474.77
Accounts Receivable Adjust	1,463.10
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	-3,717.19
Due fr General to Poppy	185.26
Due from Elsie Lambert to General	1,000.00
Due from Poppy to General	409,836.52
Due from Benevolent to General	177.45
Inventory - Poppy and Wreath	12,174.65
Poppy Promotional (free) items	389.45
Inventory- Command Store	1,491.17
Inventory - Promotional Supplies	25,497.36
Inventory Adjustment	3,280.31
Prepaid Expenses	4,820.49

Total Current Assets 3,526,436.55

Capital Assets

Land	128,179.94
Building	550,001.30
Accum. Amort. - Building	<u>-299,140.92</u>
Net - Building	250,860.38
Office Furniture & Equipment	128,052.05
Accum. Amort. - Furn. & Equip.	<u>-126,131.55</u>
Net - Furniture & Equipment	1,920.50
Computer Equipment	19,238.05
Accum. Amort - Computer Equi...	<u>-18,583.18</u>
Net : Computer Equipment	654.87

Total Capital Assets 381,615.69

TOTAL ASSET 3,908,052.24

LIABILITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	16,683.63
Vacation Accrual Paid	-1,458.26
Accrued Vacation	1,458.26
Accrued Liabilities	16,753.31
RRSP Contributions Payable	-230.80
CPP Payable	2,095.96
EI Payable	713.10
Workers Comp Payable	134.58
Federal Income Tax Payable	3,559.52
HST Charged on Sales	3,560.94
HST Paid on Purchases	<u>-2,682.84</u>
HST Owing (Refund)	878.10
Owing to General from Poppy	410,021.78

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Balance Sheet As at Mar 31, 2026

Due to General from Benevolent	177.45
Due to E J Lambert from General	1,000.00
Deferred Revenue	1,663.75

Total Current Liabilities	453,450.38
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Long Term Liabilities

Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2026	111,307.90
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2027	6,110.50
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2028	3,896.20
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2029	1,948.10
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2030	2,625.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2031	895.40
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2032	665.50
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2033	363.00
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2035	266.20
Per Capita Tax Rec'd - 2037	568.70
Per Capita Tax Rec'd for 2025	112,517.90

Total Long Term Liabilit...	241,165.10
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TOTAL LIABILITY	694,615.48
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EQUITY

Fund Balances

Retained Earnings - Previous Year	160,448.99
Capital Reserve Fund	100,000.00
Supplementary Fund	25,000.00
Investment in Capital Assets	466,152.00
Current Earnings	-22,615.64
General Fund Balance	1,333,090.04
Poppy Fund Balance	199,581.00
Benevolent Fund Balance	743,032.37
Lambert Fund Balance	208,748.00

Total Fund Balances	3,213,436.76
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TOTAL EQUITY	3,213,436.76
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	3,908,052.24
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RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Income Statement Mar 01, 2026 to Mar 31, 2026

REVENUE

General Income

Miscellaneous Income - General		100.00
Interest Income - General		2,662.78
Total General Income		2,762.78

Program Revenues

Per Capita Tax		21,740.86
VeteransRecognitionBook - taxa...	5,408.03	
VeteransRecognitionBook - non...	657.43	
Net: VeteransServiceRecognition...		6,065.46
Total Program Revenues		27,806.32

Poppy Income

Taxable Poppy Sales	1,147.56	
Non-Taxable Poppy Sales	6,162.91	
Net: Poppy Sales		7,310.47
Assessed Poppy		1,451.13
Interest Income - Poppy		1,226.36
Grant Revenue		0.00
Total Poppy Income		9,987.96

Benevolent Income

Donations - Benevolent		2,000.00
Interest Income - Benevolent		1,016.04
Total Benevolent Income		3,016.04

Lambert Income

Interest Income - Lambert		478.16
Total Lambert Income		478.16

TOTAL REVENUE		44,051.26
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EXPENSE

General & Admin. Expe...

Salaries - General	11,750.12
CPP Expense - General	483.13
EI Expense - General	190.04
RRSP Employer Expense - Gen...	276.96
WCB - General	61.96
Telephone/Fax - General	952.66
Office Supplies-General	271.76
Computer Expense-General	480.77
Postage & Courier - General	237.72
Legal / Professional - General	1,482.00
Amortization - General	1,027.47
NS/NU Command Use-General	502.82
Sundries-Coffee, Misc Items-Ge...	85.98
Membership Renewal Expense	81.48
Bank Charges - General *5119	179.33
Total Administration - Ge...	18,064.20

Occupany Expenses

Repairs & Maintenance - General	1,007.50
Fire Tax	30.00
Water - General	227.86
Electricity - General	566.49
Cleaning Expense - General	540.00

RCL Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Income Statement Mar 01, 2026 to Mar 31, 2026

Insurance - General	964.08	
Total Occupancy Costs	<u>3,335.93</u>	
Travel & Allowances - G...		
Grand Parade - General	0.00	
Poppy Committee - General	924.82	
Centenary Committee	16.50	
Veteran Service Recognition Boo...	500.00	
Executive Directors Expense - G...	629.92	
Complaint Committee - General	1,176.59	
Treasurer Expenses - General	87.18	
Total Travel & Allowanc...	<u>3,335.01</u>	
Sports Expenses - Gene...		
Cribbage Expense - General	195.10	
Total Sports Expenses-...	<u>195.10</u>	
Program Direct Expens...		
Gift Card- NS Grant	0.00	
Total Program Costs - G...	<u>0.00</u>	
Poppy Expenses		
Taxable Poppy Purchases	833.23	
Non-Taxable Poppy Purchases	<u>4,564.95</u>	
Net: Poppy Purchases		5,398.18
Building Maint - Poppy		380.80
Computer Expenses - Poppy		120.19
Bank Charges - Poppy		16.86
Office Supplies - Poppy		67.94
Postage & Courier - Poppy		59.43
WCB Expense - Poppy		31.32
Salaries - Poppy		4,349.24
CPP Expense - Poppy		242.76
EI Expense - Poppy		99.26
Secretarial - Poppy		8,333.15
Telephone - Poppy		317.55
Total Poppy Expenses		<u>19,416.68</u>
Benevolent Expenses		
Benevolent Disbursements	2,623.71	
Benevolent Interest & Bank Char...	8.00	
Total Benevolent Expen...	<u>2,631.71</u>	
Lambert - Expenses		
Bank Charges - Lambert	1,429.11	
Total Lambert Expenses	<u>1,429.11</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSE		<u>48,407.74</u>
NET INCOME		<u><u>-4,356.48</u></u>

Building Report for May 23, 2026

Harry Jackson 1st VP – Chair

George Della Valle - President

JoAnne Geddes 2ND VP – Member

Conrad Gilbert Treasurer – Member

Carrie Hogan ED – Secretary

Comrades

It's at that time of year to get outside maintenance put in place. We received two quotes, one from Indigo Property Services and the other was Master Grass.

Indigo Property Service did the snow removal and did a great job. So, it is the recommendation of the building committee that we go with Indigo Property. The quote was for 2291.40 for the season.

The Flagpole's are still being working on, more info to follow.

A new vacuum was purchased for the office; the old one was at the end of its life.

And the back shop is on my radar to be done this year.

Respectfully Submitted

Harry Jackson

Building Committee Chair

**Executive Director Report
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Executive Council Meeting**

May 23, 2026

Over the past 3 months since our last meeting, my work as Executive Director has focused on maintaining steady Command operations, as well as support to our Executive Council and Branches.

A significant portion of my time has been dedicated to overseeing the day-to-day operations of Command alongside our excellent staff. Together, we continue to ensure that all administrative, financial, and operational functions run smoothly. This includes addressing all incoming correspondence—both mail and email—and ensuring timely, accurate responses to Branches, Members, and external partners.

Brenda, Jane and I were heavily involved in supporting BakerTilly throughout the annual audit process. This work required substantial preparation, document review, and coordination to ensure the auditors had everything needed for a thorough and efficient review of our financial operations.

I am pleased to report that our Command Service Officer, Bethany Buffett, returned to work in April, which means we now have a full staff complement once again. This is a tremendous benefit to our workflow in allowing us to get fully back on track in delivering timely and effective service to our Veterans.

In April, President Della Valle, 1st Vice President Harry Jackson, Chairman Ron Langevin and I attended a site visit to Hants County Branch 009 for a walk-through, as they will serve as the host location for our next NS/NU Command Convention in 2027. This visit allowed for early planning discussions and a chance to meet with the Branch President Darrell Leighton, LAC Chair JoAnn Jackson, Branch Manager Annette McCarthy and Branch Secretary Kelly Rogers.

I was also invited, along with all provincial Executive Directors, to attend the Dominion Executive Council (DEC) meetings in April as an observer. This was my first time attending DEC, and it was an excellent opportunity to meet the members of the Council as well as the staff at National Headquarters. They were very welcoming and provided a tour of the facility. Observing the DEC meetings was extremely informative, offering valuable insight into how national-level governance and decision-making processes are conducted. During the session, two presentations were delivered: one on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) training, and another by the Royal Canadian Mint regarding The Royal Canadian Legion's

upcoming 100th Anniversary coin. Both were highly beneficial and added meaningful context to the work being done on our national level.

Overall, this period has been productive and focused, with continued support to our organization. I maintain steady communication and strong working relations with our National Headquarters and frequently reach out for their guidance when needed. Their collaboration is always appreciated and contributes greatly to our ability to serve our Veterans and Branches effectively.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Command staff for their dedication, hard work, and the support they provide to me every day. Their commitment ensures that our operations remain steady and responsive. I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Executive Council for the continued support you provide to both myself and the staff. Your leadership and guidance make a meaningful difference in the work we do.

Yours in Comradeship,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'CH', is positioned above the typed name and title.

Carrie Hogan
Executive Director
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command

Electronic Vote February – May 2026

Feb 12 Personnel.

Carried

March 13 NS/NU Command will cover the hotel costs for District Commanders to attend the Dominion Convention for August 2026 in Winnipeg.

Carried

March 18 GIC reinvestment – reinvest \$63,500.00 with a 2-year locked in rate of 3.25%, the remaining \$36,500.00 to be used to fund the Centenary Budget and the interest for the currently maturing GIC to be deposited into the Benevolent account.

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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Nova Scotia Nunavut Command
The Royal Canadian Legion

Name:

Clarence Dawe

District

A

Date

April 30/26

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

Zone

1

☐ Yes

☐ No

Zone

2

☐ Yes

☐ No

Zone

3

☐ Yes

☐ No

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

☒ Yes

☐ No

Date

April 19/26

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.

March, April District Meetings

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

waiting on action from command

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

no

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

☒ Yes

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

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:

Ken Babcock

District

D

Date

23 May 26

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

22 Mar 26

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

Apr 2026

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

18 Mar 26 Chaired emergency executive meeting in Kentville
22 Mar 26 Held District D Meeting in Bridgetown
21 Apr 26 Attended Command Resolution Zoom meeting
26 Apr 26 Attended Dominion Cribbage awards ceremonies as the phtographer for NSNU Command

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.

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.

I still have no Zone 11 Commander. I do have one person who is intrested in taking over as Zone 11 Commander but can not due so until Dec 2026 as she is a sitting branch President until then

Myself and my Deputy Commander will be conducting a Zone 11 meeting on May 17th in Digby Next District D meeting will be 14 Jun 26 in Digby in preperation for convention.

Respectfully submitted

Ken Babcock

DD Commander

District Commander's Report

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Name:

André V Boudreau

District

E

Date

13 May 2026

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

22 March 2026

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.

Election BR 144 Western Shore 10 Feb 2026

Meeting Br 61 Yarmouth Requested meeting to discuss Membership problems 20 Apr 2026

3 May attended the Battle Of the Atlantic Parade in Chester Br 44

Meeting Br 144 Western Shore 12 May 2026

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

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.

Several Legions in both Zones have had difficulty getting their Financials Reports they are having some success with this problem

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:

Tom McCormack

District

F

Date

14 May 2026

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

April 26 2026

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

☒ Yes

☐ No

Date

May 11 2026

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

Executive Council Meeting Feb. 21
Took the literary winners certificates and cheques to Pres. Scott at Elmsdale Legion
Zone 14 Meeting at Fairview
Sorted out Vimy 27 boxes left at Command with Joanne Geddes
Honors and Awards Centennial Branch 160
Represented Command to pick up cheque and photo op at Commissionaires NS
Attended a few Ritual & Awards Zoom meetings

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

Not at present.

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

All the branches seem to be doing fairly well with regards to their Branch Reports and Financial Reports

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

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

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

We still have late financial reports, pretty well same branches all the time.
Working on a dispute with regards to Special Use of Poppy Funds.

District Commander's Report

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Name:

Jarrold Selkirk

District

G

Date

2026-05-12

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

Iqaluit

168

☐ Yes

☒ No

Rankin Inlet

169

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐

☐

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

☒ Yes

☐ No

Date

2026-04-23

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

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

Attended Iqaluit branch 168's Mother's Day buffet service 2026-04-09.

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 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.

Finances are an on-going concern with Iqaluit's branch 168. The Executive team are working to promote new events to create more revenue.

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.



District G
Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command

Report to Executive Council

May 23/2026

Appeals Committee

To date there have been no meetings on Appeals.

There is an appeal pending review and will be addressed when the details of the Complaint Committee hearing and decision are forwarded to our Committee.

Respectfully Submitted

Don McCumber IPP

Appeals Committee/Chairman

NS/NU Command RCL

**Benevolent Committee Report
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
May 2026**

Members:

Immediate Past President Don McCumber	Chairman
Executive Director Carrie Hogan	Member
Command Service Officers	Secretary

Here is the breakdown of Command Benevolent Fund assistance to Veterans from January 2026 – April 2026:

Month	# of Veterans	Command Fund Disbursed
January	6	\$6,362.89
February	3	\$4,045.30
March	2	\$4,657.69
April	3	\$3,676.30

The Command Benevolent Committee remains steadfast in its efforts to support veterans, working closely with Branch Service Officers to ensure every veteran receives the help they need. A reminder that the amounts listed above only reflect the assistance provided by Command. We often refer Veterans to Branches in their area for direct assistance.

Our Command regularly seeks advice and recommendations from National Headquarters to ensure we deliver the best possible service to Veterans. We remain thankful for their consistent guidance and assistance.

I extend my sincere thanks to my committee for their continued hard work and unwavering dedication to our Veterans.

Respectfully submitted,

Don McCumber
Chairman

NS/NU Command
Cadet legion Medal of Excellence Report
for meeting 23 May 2026

13 May 2026

I am very happy that I had the opportunity to serve as Chairman of the Cadet legion Medal of Excellence Committee. It was very nice to see the hard work Cadets do to support their Communities.

This year the committee reviewed 45 applications and approved 41.

One cadet had only two events, one cadet listed family outings as volunteering, One Cadet listed Poppy Campaign as one event, One cadet volunteered at a sporting event 3 times in one month no effort.

For the cadets who were unsuccessful I beleave it is a failure in leadership at the unit level.

13-16 Annex E - Royal Canadian Legion Cadet Medal of Excellence, Cadet Administrative and Training Orders (CATOs) List "a minimum three community service events, in addition to those supported by the cadet corps/" (it would be nice if the CATO could be edited to reflect three distinct events throughout the Training Year excluding support to Poppy Campaign)

Local Branch support was 100%

I wish to thank the following who were part of committee and the Regional Cadet Support Unit (Atlantic) representative:

Ron Langevin - Member
Tom McCormack - Member
Captain Bronwyn Ives, CD - (Atlantic Representative)
Brenda Brandow - Secretary

This is my Report submitted for meeting on 23 May 2026

André Boudreau CD,
Chairman
Legion Cadet Medal of Excellence Committee

Camp Hill Report May 2026

There is not a lot to report regarding activities at Camp Hill. Comrade Richard Powell who is also the Zone 15 Sgt At Arms, continues to attend the ceremonies, whereas he is the official Camp Hill Sgt at Arms. Comrade Richard does an outstanding job in this capacity and takes pride in this position. He is to be commended for all his efforts and dedication.

In Comradeship,

Camp Hill Rep.

District F Commander

Tom McCormack

REPORT OF THE NS/NU COMMAND
COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

Ron Langevin - Chair
Conrad Gilbert - Member
Tom Young - Member
Carrie Hogan E.D. - Secretary
Members in Waiting
John Leyte
Tom McCormack
Karen Lynch

All complaints since our last Executive Council meeting in February 2026 up to and including May, 2026 have been concluded with one appeals. I would like to thank all the committee members for their cooperation and guidance in these very concerning Article III hearings.

Yours in Comradeship,

Ron Langevin

**NOVA SCOTIA/NUNAVUT COMMAND
BYLAWS AND POLICY AMENDMENT/ADDITION FORM**

The following form is to be used by the C&L Committee when creating amendments/additions to the Command ByLaws or Policy manuals. Amendments/additions will be presented to the Executive Council for approval.

ONLY ONE (1) AMENDMENT PER PAGE.

EXISTING BYLAW/POLICY	PROPOSED AMENDMENT/ADDITION
Ritual, Awards and Protocol - Terms of Reference I. General Applications for awards submitted by branches must be signed by the District/Zone Commander before they are received at this office. Unsigned applications will be returned to the Branch. Life Membership applications/or previous award applications must accompany the MSM/MSA Application. If a life membership application is not available, please advise the Committee as to why it is not available. Usually, a life membership is given before an MSM/MSA however, under special circumstances consideration can be given to those Comrades who are aging and/or in declining health and have numerous dedicated years of service to The Royal Canadian Legion and have not been previously recognized by the Branch.	Ritual, Awards and Protocol - Terms of Reference I. General Applications for awards submitted by branches must be signed by the District/Zone Commander before they are received at this office. Unsigned applications will be returned to the Branch. Life Membership applications/or previous award applications must accompany the MSM/MSA Application. If a life membership application is not available, please advise the Committee as to why it is not available. A Life Membership is normally awarded before an MSM/MSA however, exceptions may be considered under special circumstances. These include long-serving comrades who are aging and/or in declining health and have not previously been recognized, or those who have made an exceptional one-time or short-term contribution that brought significant honour to the Legion. In such cases, an MSM/MSA may be awarded without prior Life Membership.

The amendments/additions to NS/NU Command Bylaws/Policies were approved at the C&L Comm. meeting

held: April 26, 2026 electronic vote.

It was Moved by Comrade Ron Langevin Seconded by Comrade Arnold Mac Donald

NS/NU Command C&L Committee Chairman



Ritual, Awards & Protocol Report

Chair – Comrade Joanne Geddes
Member Comrade Andre Boudreau
Member – Comrade Don McCumber

Member – Comrade Tom McCormack
Member – Comrade John Quilty
Member – Jane Scott

The Committee has put in a request to amend amendment to our TOR to reflect that the committee shall meet **at least** 3 times a year. Since the last report, we held meetings in Mar, Apr and electronic voting in May due to low volume. A total of 11 Life Memberships were received, 4 pending review a one was not approved. Pleased to say that 1 Palm Leaf to the MSM, 1 MSM, and 1 Friendship award were approved.

The Committee has created a new checklist for each award, and it is hoped to have those completed and out to the Branches in time for the September submissions. It is important to remember the checklists are to assist all of us in making sure applications are completed properly resulting in the deserving member receiving their award in a timely manner.

The Committee recommended to our President that he address concerns we had with reference to Life Memberships and MSM/MSA as well as the wearing of the commemorative Centenary pin being authorized to wear on the Legion uniform. We are pleased to announce that both recommendations were passed unanimously. There has been an amendment to the TORs to reflect this change, and the wearing of the commemorative Centenary Lapel Pin has been approved for wear on the Legion uniform from 1 April to 31 December 2026. The pin is to be worn directly under the Support your Troops pin and the Canadian Flag is still authorized for wear until 1 July 2027 and is to be worn to the left of the Support your Troops pin. Thank you to Comrade George and DEC.

I would like to thank the committee for sharing their time and experience for the betterment of our Comrades and Branches. Your contributions are critical in ensuring that our fellow Comrades receive recognitions for their hard work and do so in a timely fashion. A special thank you to Comrade Jane for all her expertise, knowledge and patience, it is truly appreciated. I would also like to thank the Branches that are working hard to acknowledge and recognize their members.

Respectfully submitted,



Joanne Geddes
Ritual Awards and Protocol Chair

Leadership and Development Committee Report – May 2026

Article III Presentations

Work continues on producing written instructions but in person presentations by Comrade Tom Young were given at the Zone 15 meeting in April and to branches in the Port Hawksbury area in last week.

Online Training Material

The Training Resources Library webpage continues to expand:

1. A Poppy Fund accounting application has been added which can help branches record monthly Poppy Fund expenses and that automatically produces the sums for the Annual Poppy Fund Return,
2. we have started to include topics of long-term application to ensure that the information is readily accessed and available for instruction; either as formal presentations or self-education. To date, we have added a Sample Financial Review Checklist
3. have asked a couple of comrades to work on projects such handbooks for zone and district commanders.

Notices of updates or additions to the Training Library will be sent by ABMO so that there is a record.

Local Training

Local training remains available by myself, comrades with expertise or by providing material to zone or district commanders to conduct training. As well, there is the option of online presentations or tutorials using Zoom.

I gave motivational presentations on the Leadership and Development Committee and the Command Training Resource Library to the Zone 15 meeting and to the District F meeting. The intend is to increase awareness of the Resource Library and recruit people to help the Committee.

Assistance from Districts and Zones

Again, I ask that copies of any training or education done at the district or zone level, be sent to the Leadership and Development Committee either through Comrade Jane or the Leadership and Development Committee **nsnulad@gmail.com**. We will assess the material and consider adding it to the Training Library.

Also, we are looking for comrades:

- with special knowledge of Legion matters and operations to prepare written narratives
- with computer skills such as PowerPoint, Zoom and video editing software to help produce presentations and videos.

Two comrades have offered to help; one to develop training and one to help with production.

Guidance

The Committee's Terms of Reference, make no mention of who assigns tasks to the Committee nor about reviewing material before publication, to ensure accuracy and compliance with bylaws,

policies and directives. Rather, the Committee responds to requests for support or to perceived matters that could warrant developing training packages.

It is suggested that the sub-Executive consider establishing priorities and in some instances, consider asking comrades to undertake projects in cooperation with the Leadership and Training Committee.

Glen Leduc
Leadership and Development Committee

Legion Magazine Report

May 2026

Things are going a lot better. After I mentioned to the magazine that no pics were posted from Nova Scotia, even though I had several accepted ones waiting to get published. I was told there was a large number received and he had been overwhelmed. I was given a timetable for what pics would be entered in the next magazine and also the remaining ones would go in for August. Sent several more this week and was happy because they were accepted because the rules on pixels had been followed. A lot of stress when you have to tell them they were rejected. Next week I will be taking pictures at a Birthday party for a gentleman who is celebrating his 108th birthday.

I have over 40 Submissions with at least 15 rejections because of rules, like head shots only needed, quality issues, Pixels too small. I received 10 beautiful pics mailed to Nunavut then back to me. They were beautiful pics but none of them had the right pixels and were rejected. Right now, 6 more to appear in May/June and 4 to appear in August. These I have been told will definitely appear.

Kind Regards,

Mary Phillips
Branch 128 Whitney Pier

Personnel Report for May 2026

Chair Comrade, Harry Jackson

2nd VP Comrade, JoAnne Geddes

Treasure, Comrade Gilbert

President, Comrade George Della Valle

Secretary, ED Carrie Hogan

Comrades

The daily operations are running Smoothly under the Executive Director. Many thanks to our existing staff Jane, Brenda and Bethany and Leah for all their Guidance, Dedication and assistance in the Command office over the past year.

Respectfully Submitted

Harry Jackson

Chairman/ 1st VP

NS/NU Command
Poppy & Remembrance Report
for meeting 23 May 2026

13 May 2026

I am very happy that I have the opportunity to serve as Chairman of the Poppy & Remembrance Committee.

So far this year we have approved most of the Special Use Forms that have been sent to Command.

I was at NS/NU Command Office in March to review Branch Poppy Trust Fund Reports. It was very interesting to see how Branches are spending the Poppy Fund. Some are not following the policy on filling out the report and spending money on not approved items. It is interesting to see how much Poppy Fund money is held by Branches. Two Branches have over 100k = \$233,764.08, eight Branches over 50k = \$502,012.60 and twelve Branches over 30k = \$475,792.72 total held by twenty two Branches = \$1,211,569.40. That is a lot of money that could be helping veterans and organizations helping veterans.

Branch Poppy Trust Fund Reports were all received and sent to Dominion Command by the March 31st deadline

The Dominion Command Poppy and Remembrance Committee has recommended starting the Annual Poppy Campaign on 24 October from this fall forward. 24 Oct to 11 Nov Annually starting Oct 2026

Thank you to my committee:
Tom McCormack – Member
John Leyte – Member
Executive Director – Secretary

This is my Report submitted for meeting on 23 May 2026

André V. Boudreau CD,
Chairman
Poppy and Remembrance Committee



REPORT OF THE NS/NU COMMAND

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

UN Recognition Certificates

We would like to extend our congratulations to all the veterans and families that received a certificate from the Nova Scotia Government in recognizing their contributions between 1947 and 1988 on the 80th Anniversary of the United Nations.

NS/NU Command Web Page

. Command has setup a webpage so legions within our Command can place Centenary and other events taking place in 2026. This will allow other legionnaires and the public to know what is happening at our branches throughout our centenary year. However, to date Command has only received one entry. We encourage you to utilize this media tool to assist you in promoting the legion and in supporting your branches.

ABMO-41-2026-Centenary-Event-Calendar.pdf

Hants County Branch 009 hosted - Dominion Cribbage Championship (April 24–27,) 2026.

Congratulations to our winners:

Yours in Comradeship,

Ron Langevin
Chairman

Ron Langevin - Chairman
Geddes – Member
Executive Director – Carrie Hogan

Clerk/Secretary – Jane Scott

Team Events

.First place BC/Y #171 Ladysmith
.Second Place ON #383 Tara

Doubles Event

. First place BC/Y #91 Prince Edward
Second place NL #35 Stephenville

Singles Event

. First place BC/Y #24 Cranbrook
. Second place NL #35 Stephenville

100th Birthday

Chester Branch 44 celebrated Stuart Carver during National Volunteer Week. He turned 100 years old in May and is still volunteering. He organizing pool tournaments every year to raise money for Bonny Lea Farm in Chester, a facility for adults with intellectual disabilities.

Condolence

Mabel McCarthy passed away on March 1, 2026. She was President of Uniacke and District Legion Branch 165 for 21 consecutive year

Grand Parade Report

Committee Chair – Comrade Joanne Geddes
Member – Comrade Tom McCormack
Member – Comrade Tom Young
Member – White Ensign Branch 129
Member – Jane Scott

Nothing to Report at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanne Geddes', with a stylized, cursive script.

Joanne Geddes
Grand Parade Chair

Command Sport and Track & Field Report for May 2026

Committee: Harry Jackson Chair

Murry Dawson - Cribbage Coordinator

Edger Dowell – 8-Ball Coordinator

Harry Jackson - Dart & Track and Field Coordinator

Provincial Command Cribbage Winners, Stewiacke Branch 070 - Larry Collier, Bonnie McCabe, Coleman Munro and Roger Morris.

Provincial Command Darts Winners, Team – Braeden, Robert, Liam, and Cohen from 001 Middleton. Doubles – Jason Smith, Coady Burke from Branch 156 MacDonald Memorial. Singles – Scott Ferdinand from branch 60 Peace Pugwash.

National Level doubles winners were from Branch 156 MacDonald Memorial.

Provincial Command 8-ball Winners, NSNU Command – Lawrence Borden, Guy Tremblay, John Dugas and Bob Miklos.

Congratulations to all the members who when on National Level.

Track & Field: March 11 myself and Athlete Nova Scotia have met to get things start for 2026.

Things include staff application, Date for tryouts July 11 & 12, new uniforms for the next two years which will be taking place in Regina Saskatchewan.

We are starting to get responses from branch regarding the branch donation towards the uniforms.

Respectfully Submitted

Harry Jackson

Sport Chair

Veteran Outreach Program

Veteran Outreach Program (VOP) Committee

John Quilty	Chairperson/District F Rep
Steve Maclellan	District A Rep
Paddy MacDonald	District B Rep
Jeremy Dobson	District C Rep
Greg Zwicker	District D Rep
Ann Mech	District E Rep
Jarrold Selkirk	District F Rep
Carrie Hogan	Executive Director

The VOP committee met April 14, 2026. The committee discussed the programs supported or associated with the VOP and were provided with an update on each program. The intent is to have District Reps attend District or Zones meetings ensuring these programs are communicated to branches and how branches can support these programs.

Update on Programs:

Heroes Mending on the Fly: June 22-27 they will head to Cape Breton and the Margaree River to take 25 participants on the fishing portion of our program, concluding the 2026 program. Both HRM and Valley have enough names for 2-3 years' worth of programs. Truro is well on its way to having the numbers for a group next year and Wedgeport has 10 names lined up to restart the program again in 2027. We are still interested in starting a group in the Sydney area but have yet to garner much interest in somebody to facilitate this happening.

Branches may assist this program by donating directly to Heroes Mending on the Fly from their Poppy Trust Fund and providing space to host their clinics. A \$10,000.00 donation was made from the VOP budget.

Veteran Farm Project: I spoke with Jessica Miller, Founder of the Veteran Farm Project, and they are excited to get going again this year, but funding is always a challenge. The groundwork for the Honouring Garden began this week. They deliver Learn to Grow workshops and are looking for branches to host these workshops at no cost to the branch. Branches can also support the Farm by donating directly to

the Veteran Farm Project from their Poppy Trust Fund. A \$5,000.00 donation was made from the VOP budget.

Paws fur Thought: in 2025 six veterans were paired with service dogs, there are approximately 12 veterans, mostly from NS/NU Command, that are on the current waiting list. Wounded Warriors Canada handles all financial transactions required to operate Paws fur Thought. Branches wishing to support this program from their Poppy Trust fund are to make their donations payable to Wounded Warriors Canada indicating that the donation is in support of the work of Paws fur Thought and Nova Scotia Veterans.

BSO Legion OSI: Two peer-support programs are currently delivered: Buddy Check Coffee and Operation Vet Build. Two additional initiatives, Operation Eat Well and Operation Green Thumb are in early development. The Mental Health First Aid Course is also offered to OSI volunteers coordinating peer-support programs, with potential availability for NS/NU Command Service Bureau personnel and Branch Service Officers, subject to space. The Mental health Course is not mandatory to coordinate these programs but is recommended. Branches may support this program by providing suitable meeting spaces to host their programs. They held their elections in April 26, and Comrade Craig Hood was re-elected as President, Andre Boudreau, 1st Vice President and Jeremy Dobson, 2nd Vice President.

Operational Stress Injury Social Support (OSISS): OSISS is not a VOP program, but the services they provide are for veterans and their families living with Operational Stress Injuries. This program reaches across the province from Yarmouth to Cape Breton, so it is important that we inform our branches about this program and type of services they provide. Districts, Zones and branches can request OSISS to give a briefing at their mtgs.

Operation Leave the Streets Behind: this is a National Homeless Veterans Program. Its purpose is to identify and assist homeless Veterans and those at-risk of homelessness. Last year, NS/NU Command assisted 16 homeless or near homeless veterans. At the request of the NS/NU Command President, we were asked to look at the program and determine whether this program should be part of the VOP or operate as a separate committee. Although that is yet to be determined, we need to ensure Districts are aware of the program and if branches are in contact with a homeless vet they can reach out to Command for guidance. Branches can support this program by donating to NS/NU Command Homeless Vets

program from their Poppy Trust Fund. As well, they can support veterans in their communities with emergency funding for food, shelter etc. I will be attending a Veteran Housing and Security Collective (VHIC) meeting this month. The VHIC was formed in 2025 in an effort to explore, understand and prevent housing insecurity for veterans in NS. VHIC is chaired by VAC in partnership with Landing Strong, the RC Legion and Vets Canada. It's membership includes Operational Stress Injury Social Support (OSISS) and NS Operational Stress Injury Clinic (NSOSIC)

Veterans Service Recognition Book: this is a way to recognize our veterans and as well, a fundraiser for Command programs supporting veterans and their families and has been in place for 23 years. The Chair, Comrade Steve Wessel, asked that the VOP committee take an active role in promoting this program. His concern is that we are not getting enough submissions from branches and those programs that support veterans to sustain this important fundraiser. The VOP committee intends to support their renewed promotion efforts. Some branches have started a banner project whereby they display veterans on streetlamps within their communities. If not already done, it is recommended that maybe those veterans could be submitted. Submission forms are located on the NS/NU Command webpage under Veteran Services.

Respectfully submitted,



John Quilty

Veteran Outreach Program Chairperson

VETERANS SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MAY 2026

The 2026 telephone campaign continues. As a result of my February 2026 report, E.D. Carrie has increased awareness of the VSRB program with the Veterans Outreach Committee and I would like to extend my appreciation for her efforts. Hopefully this recognition will result in extended contact with our branches for support of the VSRB.

The deadline for submissions for the 2026 edition is 31 August.

In closing, I will end this report as I always do; ***Our Veterans deserve no less!***

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Wessel, VSRB Chairman / Editor

Executive Council Report, 23 May 2026

Veterans Services and Seniors

Given the increasingly dire situation with NS Mental Health and Addictions Services and the CUPE Long-Term Care Workers I have profound concerns regarding the safety and well-being of our Veterans and our Senior citizens

Recently the Provincial Government passed the 2026-2027 budget which cut \$130,000,000.00 from 287 Programs such as:

- Health & Wellness
- Military Relations
- Addictions and Mental Health
- Seniors and Long-Term Care
- Office of Equity and Anti Racism
- Healthcare and Professional Recruitment
- Caregivers Benefit
- Alzheimer Society of NS - Dementia Strategy

The current Nova Scotia Health strike involves the Long-Term care workers represented by the CUPE Union, who have been without a contract since October 2023. The strike began April 13, 2026.

At the April 23, 2026, Senior Advisory Council of Nova Scotia meeting I gave the following presentation.

“Out of respect for the CUPE workers who provide a special service to our seniors in Nova Scotia Nursing Homes, on two separate occasions, I delivered hot coffee, tea & doughnuts and stood with them on their picket line in appreciation for the work they do.

I am very concerned about the quality of care our Veterans and Seniors are receiving with more than 2,200 workers in 55+ Nova Scotia Nursing Homes participating in the current CUPE strike.

A minimum number of workers are always on the job, so residents are still being fed and services like housekeeping are being done, but it is all taking a much longer time than usual.

The residents are not getting the quality of care that they would usually receive such as grooming, activities & entertainment, basically anything that is not deemed essential.

I have spoken before on Mental Health issues and the loss of dedicated hospital beds for our Veterans. Since our last SAC meeting just one month ago, from my little part of the province alone, I have seen the loss of two more Veterans who have suffered with mental issues which lead to suicide. Their ages were 33 & 49.

This is shameful, this is not acceptable and we as an advisory council must do more to encourage our government to be better keepers of our Health Care System.”

These trying times demand immediate action to ensure our most vulnerable, who have sacrificed and given so much, are not forgotten or abandoned during this crisis.

I respectfully submit my report

John Langley

Veterans Services and Seniors

28 April 2026

REPORTS OF THE NS/NU COMMAND

CENTENARY COMMITTEE REPORT

GENERAL

The Centenary Committee has been working diligently to finalize a number of events that Command has been organizing throughout the year. We are happy to inform you that everything is coming together with most of the events being confirmed except for the Halifax Symphony reception and the Gala Fund Raiser.

Halifax International Tattoo (1st- 5th July 2026)

Royal Canadian Legion Partnership Benefits

Show Content Partner (scene exclusive)

- Dedicated Royal Canadian Legion 100 scene planned, produced and executed by the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo production team.
- Includes the creation and administration of the Royal Canadian Legion 100 march composition contest.
- Winning march composition to be debuted in the Royal Canadian Legion 100 scene.

Presenting Partner (non-exclusive)

- The Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo presented by the Royal Canadian Legion.

VIP Lounge Sponsor

- Sunday, July 5 (1300hrs lounge opens for a 1400hrs performance).
- Pre-show speaking opportunity.
- Rights to place Royal Canadian Legion signage in VIP lounge on Sunday, July 5.

Tickets and Hospitality

- 20 tickets A level seating (2 pairs for each show)
- 10 tickets B level seating (1 pair for each show)
- A level seating includes VIP lounge access (preshow, intermission, post-show)
 - Tattoo VIP lounge sponsor package (Sunday, July 5) – includes 6 tickets A level seating and lounge speaking opportunity – Commissionaires VIP Lounge
- Invitation for 2 to the Tattoo's Chairperson's Reception (Date/Location TBD)

Ron Langevin – Charman
Joanne Jackson – Secretary
Joanne Geddes – Centenary Parade
District A, B, C, D, E, F and G Commanders
Andre Boudreau – Centenary Parade
Ken Babcock – Reception
Jame McEachren – Centenary Beer
John Leyte – Presentation and Awards
Dan Hennessey – Gala Fund Raiser

• Official Tattoo partner recognition plaque • Official framed original copy of the Royal Canadian Legion 100 winning march composition.

Logo Placement Package

- 90'x30' LED audience screen – preshow and intermission
- 65" screen VIP lounge partner recognition loop – preshow, intermission and post-show
- Official playbill (25,000 copies)
- Tattoo website

Social Media/Digital Marketing Package

- Social media profile and mentions (32,800+ followers)
- Mentions and feature in Tattoo Insiders e-newsletter (11,000+ subscribers)

Special Discount Code for Tattoo Tickets

- Use code THANKYOU2026 to receive a 10% discount on Tattoo tickets.

Tattoo Run of Show Preshow and Intermission Verbal Mentions Complimentary Tattoo Canada Day Parade Entry

Royal Canadian Legion Contribution • \$15,000.00 cash investment

- Promotion of the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo to Royal Canadian Legion membership.

Optional Contributions

- Royal Canadian Legion members to participate as “extra” performers in the Royal Canadian Legion 100 scene.
- Royal Canadian Legion members to participate in Tattoo hour guard in show finale.

the. Note the gate on Gangway Street will be closed for the summer due to construction so please use the Gottingen Street gate.

Centenary Parade 17th July, 2026 in Halifax

We ask all parade participants to meet at CFB Stadacona.

Parking at CFB Stadacona

During working hours parking is limited or by permit only. All participants **are not to arrive** at the base until 4:00 pm on the 17th July 2026.

Parking Lots

There are two parking lots that we will be using, the upper parking lot located to left just after entering the base. The lower parking lot is located at the Fleet Club. We will have signage and/or individuals directing you to the parking lots and the Fleet Club. We request that everyone car pool to reduce our foot print on the base.

Please note, there is limited parking at the Fleet Club parking lot and some will be reserved for VIP's.

Parade Briefing

The briefing will take place in the Junior Ranks Mess in the Fleet club at 4:30 sharp. Once again we will have signage and/or individual there to provide directions. **We highly recommend that participants eat before coming to the briefing.**

Transportation

Two 56 passenger buses have been arrange to transport participants to the parade assembly area at the Salt Parking Lot on Lower Water Streets. Once the parade has been dismissed please make you way to The Muesum of the Atlantic on Lower Water Street which will be a short distance from where the parade will be dismissed.

The buses will depart the Fleet Club at 5:15 sharp and return at approximately 7:15 for the reception.

Reception

The reception will be held in the Main Lounge on the main floor of the Fleet Club. The lounge is located to the left across from the administration desk.

Hors D'Oeuvres, desserts, tea, coffee and a cash Bar will be provide.

During the reception there be a video presentation and a few speeches and presentations hand it out. The reception will end at 10:00 pm.

Dominion Convents 22nd - 26th August 2026

Winnipeg, Manitoba at the RBC Convention Centre.

Nova Scotia LT Governor Reception

The Nova Scotia, Lt Governor The Right Honourable Mike Savage has graciously offered to host a number of legionnaires at his official residence. Our President has ask his staff if it would be possible to hold the reception in September during our next in-person PEC meeting. Once the Lt Governor Staff confirms the date and timing we will notify all District/Zone Commanders.

Halifax Symphony Performance 16th of November

In discussed with their staff, they informed me that their 2026-27 season concert will be on Thursday, November 19th, they titled PEACE and REMEMBRANCE, featuring the music of:

Carlos Simon: *Breathe*

Maurice Ravel: *Le Tombeau de Couperin*

Samuel Barber: *Adagio for Strings*

Ralph Vaughn Williams: *Dona nobis pacem* (Grant us Peace)

Simon Rivard, conductor • Jane Archibald, soprano •
Korin Thomas-Smith, baritone
The Symphony Nova Scotia Chorus • Joel Tranquilla, chorus master

Here is a brief description of the concert:

Finding solace in a world of chaos

Honouring the 100th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Legion and 50th anniversary of the Nova Scotia Choral Federation, this powerful program invites you to reflect, to feel deeply, and to hope. Featuring Barber's famous Adagio for Strings, a musical memorial to friends lost in WWI by Ravel, and an urgent plea for peace by Vaughan Williams – music that remains as poignant and moving today as when it was written nearly a century ago.

As I mentioned, in celebration of the Royal Canadian Legion's 100th Anniversary, we would like to partner with you on this concert. It would be wonderful to see the hall filled with veterans and active members at this concert. We can also work together to invite any dignitaries, such as the Lt. Governor. We will provide you with complementary tickets for your delegates.

Gala Fund Raiser Fall of 2026

We are in the planing stages of planning a fund raiser Gala in the fall of 2026 to raise funds for the veterans programs in Nova Scotia. Once we finalize the event we will sent out an ABMO with all the details.

Yours in Comradeship,

Ron Langevin
Chairman

Executive Council Report, 23 May 2026

Equity – Diversity – Inclusion

Great news! The provincial EDI program is building real momentum, the assistant coordinator Martin Ouellette, reached out to the Provincial Commands & Provincial Reps to introduce himself as our point of contact person and has slated our first meeting for early May 2026. (Date to be confirmed May 12th or 13th)

- Later in May the EDI Committee will meet with the Provincial Reps. To gather our input on the “Learning Moment Video” and discuss communication strategies from our EDI perspective.
- A first virtual EDI foundations session with provincial executives is anticipated in June 2026. (Date to be confirmed.)
- The official launch of the “Learning Moment Video” is planned for August 2026 during the Dominion Convention EDI workshop.

It is my hope that we as a team can ensure the success of the EDI program across all levels of the Royal Canadian Legion from the members to the Branch, from the Branch to Command and from Command to the Branch and from the Branch to the members.

Remember we need Equity, Diversity & Inclusion for the Legion’s mission to truly reach everyone it serves.

In Comradeship

John Langley

EDI NS/NU Representative

28 April 2026

Long Term Care Beds Report

Executive Council

May23/2026

Nothing has changed on our request for a meeting with the Premier

or the Minister of Long Term Care, Barb Adams.

We continue to be ignored not just by the above but many MLA's

Comrades John Langley has in past brought forward our concern and proposal through

the Senior and Long Term Care Advisory Committee. No Action. I requested to make presentation to this committee, however

and received notification they are booked for rest of the sessions.

We are simply asking the Province to grant priority to our Veterans when a bed becomes

vacant within our Veterans Long Term Care facilities as previously established.

A face to face meeting with our President and myself as Chairman of LTC Beds could make us understand both sides of this arrangement.

The Federal Government gave the Provinces the responsibility of these beds.

On a Federal note we passed a resolution at the last Dominion Convention to ask the Minister of Veteran Affairs to address this issue. A letter was sent to the Minister

by our Dominion President early the following year. To date the issue to my knowledge

is to be addressed May 20th. this year. Almost two years have passed. It is time to get action on this matter.

If we are serious enough to advocate for our Veterans on this matter, we cannot sit back and be ignored. We cannot let years pass when Veterans want to be together in what used to be Veterans' LTC facilities. They are disappearing or have disappeared.

I am only one person and have given much of my time and dedication to advocate for our Veterans on this issue.

I now need your suggestions and direction on the way ahead.

I respectfully submit my report.

Don McCumber IPP

Chairman LTC Beds

NS/NU Command