



ST. JAMES LEGION #4
NEWSLETTER

November & December 2021



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Branch Officers, Executive & Appointments

Officers

President	Mike Thayer	Publicity
1 st Vice President	Betty Zarney	Special Events/Ways & Means/ Meat Draws
2 nd Vice President		
3 rd Vice President	Mary Anne McGibney	Entertainment/Sports
Past President	Ronn Anderson	Finance/ Poppy/ Honours & Awards

Executives

Membership	Vacant
House	Roland Fisette
Sick Visiting	Vacant
Resolutions/By-Laws	Dusty Miller
Children's Programs	Vacant
Scholarships	Jane Deller

Appointments

Honorary President	Bert Jolly
Padre	
Legion Lodge	Gary Pruden
Branch Pianist	Vacant
Branch Piper	Vacant
Service Officer	Ken Morley
Recording Secretary	Chris Wallace
Sgt-at-Arms	Lloyd Harris
Chase the Ace	Ken Morley
Cadets	Doc Jardine
Website	George Morrison

Ladies Auxiliary

President Corinne Van Meer

Over 55 Club

Chairman Peter Henry

Office Staff (888-2860)

Secretary Treasurer Leif Johnson
Office Administrator Bev Ptosnick

Bar Manager Roxanne Mills
Assistant Bar Manager Jessie Frankfurt



Legion hours

Monday 9:00am to 10:30pm

Tuesday 9:00am to 9:00pm

Wednesday 9:00am to 10:00pm

Thursday 9:00am to 9:00pm

Friday 9:00am to 12:00am

Saturday 9:00am to 7:00pm

Hours are subject to change depending on activities/events or number of patrons in the Legion



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE NOVEMBER 2021

Greetings to all Comrades and Friends of the Legion.

Since this is really the first and last Bulletin of 2021, I would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2022. I would like to thank the Officers, Executive and Volunteers that have worked hard and helped through our short operational year. I also wish to thank all the Staff without whom it would be impossible to operate. Office, Bar, Maintenance, you are all important and to the members and guests that has supported the Legion throughout the pandemic, thank you.

This year's Remembrance Day will be different again due to the pandemic and rules that go along with it. No service will be held at Bruce Park on the 11th of November. It will be held in the Branch with limited capacity. The Ladies Auxiliary President, Corinne Van Meer and I will be laying Wreaths at the Bruce Park Cenotaph around 10:40. If you wish to lay a Wreath at the Bruce Park Cenotaph on November the 11th, please feel free to do so.

The Poppy Campaign is well under way, we still need taggers for the Airport and Walmart Unicity. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board downstairs in the Legion.

At the General Meeting on Oct 21st, we held nominations for office. By acclamation I will be staying on as President for another 2 years. Also, by acclamation we have 2 new Vice Presidents Ken Morley, Rolland Fisette and 1 new Executive Ralph Burns. Chris Wallace was appointed as Executive Recording Secretary and Lloyd Harris was appointed as Sgt at Arms, congratulations to you all. It will be decided at the General Meeting on Dec 9th by ballot who will be 2nd or 3rd Vice President. We still need a few more folks for the Executive, if interested come to the meeting on Dec 9th. With regrets our present 3rd Vice President Mary Anne McGibney is resigning at the end of the year. I would like to thank Mary Anne for her dedication and hard work she has done for the Branch over the years, you will be missed.

Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary, Members and Groups for the donations to the Branch and Poppy Fund. It is most appreciated and helps with keeping us going.

The branch is accepting 2022 membership payments. Dues are \$53.00 for the year. You can pay at the Branch or online through Dominion Command.

We will start off The New Year with a Levee. This is a casual Meet and Greet on New Year's Day where you will be able to come out and meet your fellow members in a casual atmosphere.

The Legion Canteen is up and running (ANICIA'S Restaurant) and has been serving delicious food, try the specials. Hours are 9am to 2:30pm Monday to Thursday, Friday 9am to 8pm and Saturday 9am to 5pm. Daily specials are posted on the Facebook page. If you have a special advert or meeting and require some snacks or meals give Tracy a call at 431-877-1249 or email anicias.restaurant@gmail.com.

All the very best to the shut-in members and a get well quick to those who are ill. Let's hope 2022 will be a much better year for us all.

Cde. Mike Thayer, President



Canadian Tire Money

As all members know by now, our Club sponsors the 2701 PPCLI Cadets. There is a small box located by the phone downstairs near the Canteen. If you have any spare CDN Tire Money, it would be greatly appreciated if you could drop it in the box. Once filled we will deliver it to the PPCLI Cadets.

Mobility Aids

The Branch has a limited number of mobility aids such as wheelchairs, and canes that are available on loan to our members. If you need a mobility aid on a temporary basis, stop by the Branch to view the items available and determine if one might meet your short-term need.

LAST POST

Heaven's gate swung gently open, the Master called softly "Come" and you Dear one took the Master's hand and your work on earth was done. We'll never cease to miss you and shed many silent tears because we cannot share with you our hopes, Our joys, Our fears. But one day in God's Garden when the master calls us to come, You'll be at the gates with open arms and say to us "Welcome home".

It is with deep sympathy the Branch records the passing of the following Comrades condolences to the bereaved families.

Cde. Dennis Harvie
Life
Unit: RCN
Deceased Aug 19, 2021

Cde Robert Sypulski
Ordinary
Unit: Army
Deceased Sept 29, 2021

Cde. Philip Smyth
Ordinary
Unit: Army
Deceased Oct 12, 2021

Cde. Sarah Hodgson
Associate
Deceased Jul 26, 2021

Cde. Joan Faraci
Associate
Deceased Oct 3, 2021

*They shall grow not old As we are
left grow old; age shall not weary them, Nor do the
years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in
the morning, We will remember them.
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.*





SICK VISITING REPORT

For Sept/Oct 20201

**Deer Lodge Centre
Chris Aldridge**

Sonja Anderson No Visits. Awaiting permission.
Angie Richot No Visits. Awaiting permission.
Cornelius (Neil) Chuckrey No Visits. Awaiting permission.

**Golden West Lodge
Chris Aldridge**

Brenda Johnston No Visits. Awaiting permission

**Oakview Place
Jim Ward**

Marge Hewitt No Visits, Goodie bag left with Nurse
Jack Walton No Visits, Goodie bag left with Nurse
Ed Miguez No Visits

Chris is waiting for a phone call from Volunteer Services to go visit.
This is the report for the Sick and Visiting. Thanks to the committee members Chris and Jim.

Deer Lodge Veteran's

Please take note. Any cheques or donations made to Deer Lodge Veterans must be made out to the **Veterans Memorial Endowment Fund at Deer Lodge**. This is to ensure the money or donations go directly to the Veterans and no other organizations. Thank you.

Ladies Auxiliary Report **For November/December 2021**



The Auxiliary is finally getting organized for upcoming events & carrying on with business that has been on hold for months. We have lost 4 members due to illness: Doreen Luhtala, Kay McNamee, Janice Clarke and Joan Faraci. Our Saturday Bake Table, held in conjunction with the Meat Draws has been well supported and very successful.

The Auxiliary will support the Branch in anyway we can for the Poppy Campaign and on November 11th but that still remains to be seen.

The Auxiliary wishes all Branch Members, Executive and their families a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. We sincerely hope that 2022 will be more of a rewarding year and that the stress of Covid is well behind us.

Kay McKinnon, Publicity

Advertising



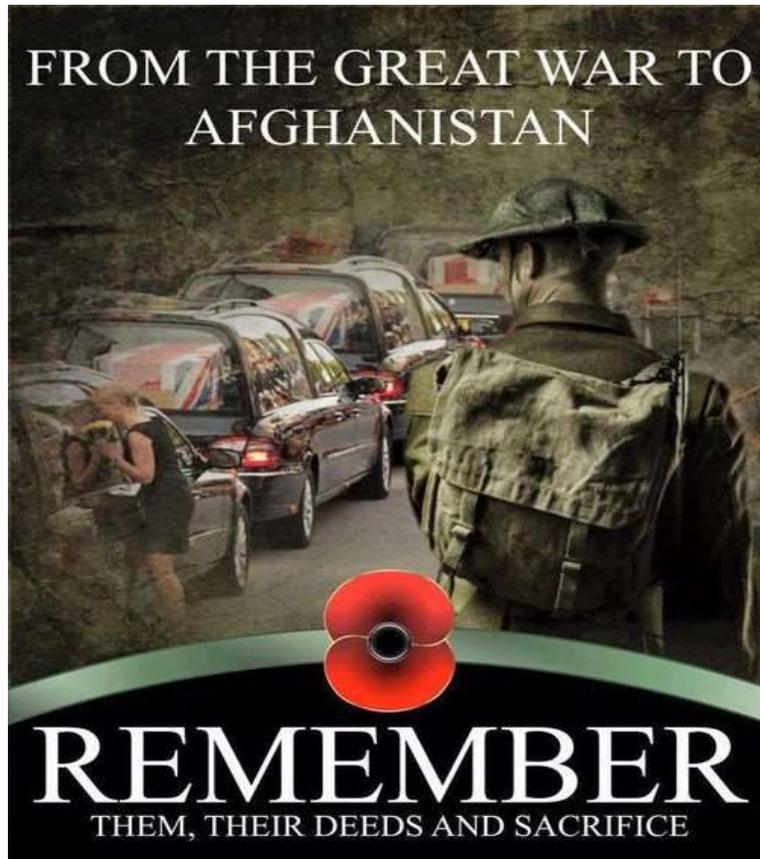
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SPORTS REPORT

Fall is definitely here and our branch is trying to get back to normal activities but respecting the rules of Social Distancing and the wearing of masks when not sitting.



Cribbage

We have been advised that the Saturday afternoon cribbage league is cancelled until further notice .

The information pamphlet for the 2022 Provincial Command Cribbage championships has been posted on the Sports bulletin board. For those interested in playing please be advised that financial assistance will not be available this year and all entry fees and travel expenses along with hotel and meals will be the full responsibility of anyone interested in playing. Please note the branch level entry fees are due in the Command office by November 9th, 2021.



Darts

Due to the public health orders that are currently in place darts our fun league darts have yet to start. This league plays on Wednesday nights starting at 7:30 pm. This is a casual group and welcomes all newcomers .

The circular for the 2022 Provincial Command Darts Championships has been posted on the Sports Bulletin Board. In previous years the branch has provided financial support for our Command Sports. Unfortunately, our Branch has been closed for approximately 15 months since January 2020 due to COVID 19.

We are working hard to keep our doors open and financial assistance is not available this year.

Anyone interested in playing at branch and district level and forward to Provincial level will be responsible for all entry fees from branch level to Provincial level as well as for travel hotel and meal costs. The first level of entry fees is due in the Command office by November 9th.

You can contact me at 204-477-8908 or maryannemcgibney@gmail.com for further information on all Command Sports.



8 Ball

A circular for the 2022 Provincial Command has been posted on the board near the 8 ball tables. As with all Command Sports Financial assistance is not available this year. Branch level entry fees are due in the Command office by November 9th, 2021.



Whist

Whist has started and is being played on Monday afternoons starting at 1:00 pm.

If anyone wants more info or is interested in playing, please call Maria or Joe at 204 889 3338



Senior Snooker League

The Senior Snooker has started again and a detailed report will be available for the next bulletin.

A meeting was held prior to the start of play to explain all changes with respect to the public health orders. A nominal fee will be charged and you must be a branch member to participate.

Senior Golf



The Wednesday morning golf has finished for the season.

St James Legion Senior Golf League Report 2021

Due to Covid 19 our official season began in mid-July but many of our golfers had been golfing for a week or so. We cannot complain about the weather over the past summer it was just fantastic even a bit too hot at times. All players were fully vaccinated and we had no issues. We averaged about 20 players every Wednesday at the Players golf course.

The Annual Ed Neumann Memorial golf tournament was held on Wednesday the 18 of August with many family members attending. System 36 was used to level the playing field and once all the scores were tabulated Cde Claude Parent was declared the winner.

All players who participated in the Away Golf days would like to thank Claude for the coordination.

Our Annual Championship tournament took place on Sept. 1 at the Players course. Handicaps were calculated for 21 players but only 16 participated in the event. Closest to the pin was R. Dawson (2 years in a row) and closest to the line was M. Wagner. Cde George Dierickse was declared the St James Legion Champion for 2021 with a net score of 34. The H2O Award is presented to the player who hits the most balls in the pond at hole number 9 and Larry Carriere kept this award for a second year by donating \$6. A total of 42 balls were hit into the pond in a shortened golf season.

Awards were presented on the 23 Sep 2021 at the legion. After 12 or so years as the starter, score keeper, handicap calculator and coordinator for the St James Legion Senior Golf league it is time for me to go. I hope that someone will come forward and take over for the 2022 golf season and I will be around to provide any assistance.

Thanks to Roxy and staff.

See you on the links next year.

Cde Bernie Roy



Diane Neumann presenting Ed Neumann memorial plaque to Winner Cde Claude Parent



President Cde. M. Thayer presenting the champion trophy to Cde G. Dierickse

Please note that social distancing is the number one rule for all activities within the branch. Face masks must be always worn when not seated at a table or VLT machine.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours Fraternally, Cde. Mary Anne McGibney Sports Chair

Newsletter Submission

Please note: all submissions must be typed or hand printed for the Newsletter. Thank you

Cde. Mike Thayer, Publicity

Daily Draw Winners for September/October

No Daily Draw Winners



Entertainment



The cold weather is certainly here to let us know fall is in full swing. The bands have returned and are playing every Friday night from 7:30 to 11:30 pm.

The Bands playing for the next few months are as follows:

October 29th	The Ravin Band
November 5th	The Marvells
November 12th	Still Friends
November 19th	Had It Comin Band
November 26th	Vintage Groove
December 3rd	DMG Dance Band
December 10th	Shades of Gray
December 17th	Vintage Groove
December 24th	No Band
December 31st	TBA

You will notice we have been bringing in some new bands this year so please come out and support them.

Please remember that Face masks must be always worn when you are not seated at a table or at the VLT machines.

Fraternally Yours, Cde. Mary Anne McGibney, Entertainment Chair



Special Events

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Events*



This has been another bad year for any special events. Hopefully things will get better. Our Nov. 11, Remembrance Day Service at Bruce Park has been cancelled. There is a small ceremony inside the branch but there will be a limited amount of people let in. Sorry but these are the restrictions we have to follow.

I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Hopefully it will be a good year.

Cde. Betty Zarney, Special Events Chair

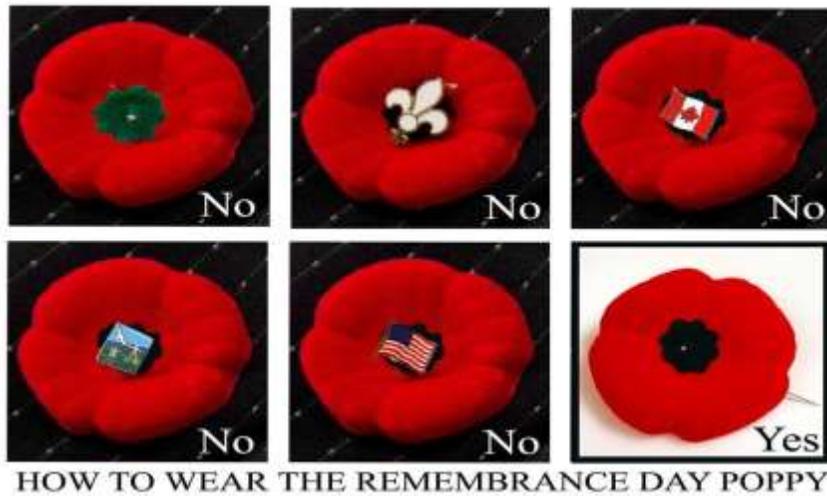


Ways & Means



The Christmas Baskets are now out on the tables at the branch. The Draw will be held December 18, Saturday. Tickets are \$1.00 each. I want to thank everyone who has donated to the baskets and thank you to everyone who supports them.

Cde. Betty Zarney, Ways & Means Chair



55+
club

Over 55+ Club

No Report



Chase The Ace

Our Chase the Ace pot is now over \$1,600.00. Ticket sales start at 6 PM and close at 8 PM. We have the draw at 8:15PM and we also have a 50/50 draw.

Cde. Ken Morley, Chase The Ace



Meat Draws



Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out at the meat draws. We still need volunteers for Fridays.

Saturday Meat Draws.

Hams & Turkeys- Dec. 4

Dec. 11

Dec. 18

Come out and enjoy our meat draws.

We are going to need a Tournament Chairman for the Texas Hold' Em when it finally resumes. If anyone is interested see Betty Zarney.

Cde. Betty Zarney, Meat Draw Chair



New Members for the General Meeting As of Oct 21, 2021

Ordinary New

Rick Morrissey

Miichael Ruta

Associate New

Laura Friesen

Lisa Friesen

David Rogers

Affiliate New Voting

Janet Henderson

Traci Wright

Martina Sawatsky

Reinstated

David Leronowich

Lori Hollingsworth

Heather Groom

Serle Fowler

Sheryl Fowler

Transferred

Bruce Mahaffy

Marilyn Alexiou

Heather Doroschuk-McSherry

Donna Hanson

Donald Berry

Gary Kilpatrick

Dues paid for 2021/2022

615

New Members

19

Key Card

If your key card/key fob is lost, there will be a charge of \$5.00 to replace it. If your key card/key fob is broken, please bring it into the office for replacement.

BRANCH #4 LEGION WEBSITE

<http://www.rclstjames04.mb.ca/>



9:00 AM TO CLOSE MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Membership Report:



To renew your 2021 membership or become a new member of St. James Legion #4 the dues are \$53.00. Renewal for 2022 dues are \$53.00. Cannot make it down to the Legion? Mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope or add an additional \$1.00 to your cheque for postage, and we will be pleased to mail your Membership card to you Keep up with the happenings at our Legion. If you want the bulletin mailed to you, the cost is \$10.00 per year and you will be one of the first to receive the bulletin delivered right to your mailbox six times a year.

Due to the high cost of postage, if you pay your dues in person and would like the Membership Card mailed to you, please pay an additional \$1.00 over and above the dues.

If you have not already done so, please supply us with your e-mail address and then you will not miss out on any Membership renewal notices and updates from Dominion Command in regard to your membership. You can renew membership online at Dominion Command directly. You will see how to do it on their website. There is an option where you can set it up to automatically to renew each year. You could also renew your membership as you have done in the past by coming down to the Legion and renew in person or mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope.



Line Dancing and Zumba

Monday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept - June
Thursday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept - June
Drop in \$5.00. Sheryl Fowler



SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Support your troops on Friday by wearing RED.



Volunteers Needed

I would like to thank all the Members that have come out time & time again as Honorary Pallbearers honouring our Veterans that have passed on. I know it's a thankless job, but it is a real necessity. If any Member with a Legion Uniform would like to join this Elite Group, please call the Branch Office and leave your name. We need some more Pallbearers who are available in the AM and or PM.

Cde. Ken Morley, Service Office





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