



CONTACT!

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Immediate Past President's Report

As of the end of May 2023, I will be handing over my Branch advisory duties as **Immediate Past President** to comrade **Bill Molnar** as he replaces me in this position. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that supported me during my term and wish comrade Bill and **incoming Branch President comrade Jim Hemlin** and the new Executive all the best as they move forward into the new term 2023-24. I would also like to thank my wife Margaret for her unfailing support over the years.

Yours in comradeship
Bruce W. Judge CD
Immediate Past President

Veterans Luncheon, Tuesday, 6 June



Royal Canadian Legion,
Kanata Branch 638,
70 Hines Road, Kanata, ON
K2K 2M5

Invites all Veterans to a luncheon

Tuesday, 6 June 2023

Doors open at 11:00 am

Lunch served at 12:00 pm



Menu

Salad
Buns and Butter
Meatloaf with Mushroom
Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Dessert

Please
advise any
allergies or
dietary
requirements

Each veteran is allowed to bring one family member/caregiver

Respond by

Monday 29 May, 2023 to Ken Fleming
kffleming44@hotmail.com or 613-965-6589

If you would like to attend and you are not a veteran, you may still sign up at a cost of \$20.00 per person.
Priority will be given to veterans.



Remembrance

Cenotaph Memorial Stones

After a lengthy stay in hospital, I am now home with support help. I will continue as Cenotaph Memorial Stone Chair for the time being and if, for health reasons, I am unable to do so, I will pass it on.

The importance of remembering our veterans can never be forgotten. If you have not yet honoured a family veteran, friend or neighbour, please consider purchasing a stone.

Lest We Forget

Moira Green
613-592-3376
mmgreen@live.com

Honour a Veteran

In your family or a
Veteran friend with a

Cenotaph Memorial Stone

These existing stones are in front of the Cenotaph
on Village Green Memorial Park,
Colchester Square, Kanata

The stones are 6 x 6 inches in the ground, 4 lines of 12 characters
maximum per line and are available at
a cost of **\$150.00** each.

Applications are now available for the Cenotaph
Memorial Stones.



This is a great way to honour your family members and friends
who have served their country.

Available to all Veterans from all branches of the armed forces.



For more information and application form
Please call Moira Green
613-592-3376

Seniors Committee

Our Seniors Committee continues to offer the Complimentary Coffee Time every Wednesday from 9-11:30am in the Lounge at the Kanata Legion. The attendance continues to grow and now we usually have 20 to 30 attendees who enjoy and share in friendship, good conversation along with lots of laughs.

This past month we were pleased to have had a presentation by the Ottawa Police Service addressing fraud and how we can protect ourselves from falling victim to so many different ways of being exploited. This information session was very well attended and much appreciated by all.

We will continue holding our weekly Coffee Time over the summer months and welcome anyone interested in joining us.

Joan Hemlin, Chair
Seniors Committee
joan.hemlin@gmail.com



Sergeant at Arms Report

I have not entered anything in the Contact for a while. There are a couple of upcoming events.

We have already been requested to provide a Colour Party for the Scott Tokessy Memorial Gold Glove Tournament. Our part is the morning of the 4th of August. We have been opening this event from the start.

The next event is the North Lanark Highland Games in Almonte on 26 August. As I am now also Zone Sergeant at Arms. I may be leading the combined Flag Party onto the field.

At the end of this month the Colour Party will be participating in a legion tribute for **comrade Morley Connell**. Morley was my first Sergeant at Arms when I joined the legion. He held that position for 12 years. One of his notable accomplishments was leading our Colour Party to the Ottawa Train station. We met the Veterans as they departed the train for the 60th anniversary of the end of WWII in Europe.

The following year Morley took our Colour Party to Parliament Hill for the Support the Troops Red Shirt Friday. We marched the people on from the Centennial Flame up to the front. There were thousands that attended that event. Morley was always available for advice; I learned a lot from him. He still marched with the Colour Party until he could no longer do it.

John Robert (No P) Thomson CD
Sergeant at Arms

Gaming Report - April

Bingo Report (5 Bingos)

Total Deposit to Bingo Trust	\$ 3,330.00
Rent to the Branch	\$ 890.10
Building Reserve Fund	\$ 758.16
Donatable Funds	\$ 1,137.24

Catch the Ace (3 Draws)

Total proceeds from draws	\$ 1,960.00
Rent to the Branch	\$ 166.60
Building Reserve Fund	\$ 313.60
Donatable Funds	\$ 470.40

Total Donations (to Lottery Trust)	\$ 1,607.64
Total Rent & Building Reserve	\$ 2,128.46



Marg Deaves
Round 16 - Draw #1 - 28 April
2023
\$295.00

**CATCH THE ACE WILL BE
TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED UNTIL A NEW
COMMITTEE IS FORMED**

The Gaming Committee

Donations

The Lottery Trust Fund committee, with the approval of the Executive Committee, donated \$500 to each of the following Charitable organizations in May:

- Camp Misquah
- Lanark Therapeutic Riding
- Women Warriors' Healing Gardens

This being the end of Kanata Legion Branch 638 current term, I wish to thank the LTF Committee, consisting of Nila Bronkhorst, Co-Chair, Joan Hemlin, Helen McKiernan and George Royle for their continued support. Thanks also to Clay Wheaton and his team for making these donations possible. In total the LTF donated \$17,475 which has hopefully helped the many organizations receiving these donations.

Margaret Judge,
Chair, LTF

Legion Book Sales

Since June 2022 when Kanata Branch 638 took over the sale of books to benefit our Veterans, we have received many interesting books not only from branch members but also from members of the community. To date donations for these books have amounted to \$1,187.50. Our thanks to everyone who has contributed to this good cause.

Note – we are requesting additional donations of books and puzzles. The more, the better! Thanks in advance.

Margaret Judge / Nila Bronkhorst

Membership Desk

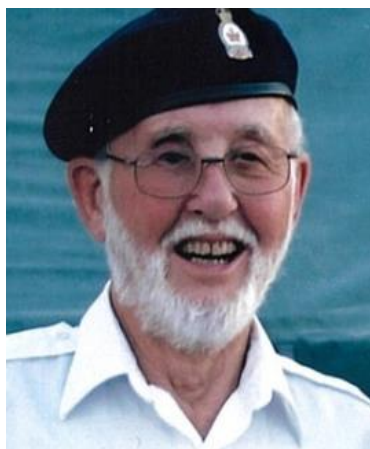
Total Membership in Good Standing to date: **315**

Welcome Members to the Branch

- CY E. FLEMING: NEW WELCOME VETERAN FAMILY PROGRAM - spouse of Ken Fleming and daughter of a veteran
- ROSEANNE LALANDE: NEW AFFILIATE VOTING - a walk in and interviewed by Jim Hemlin. Background in Public Relations and Marketing
- JEFF M. ARMITAGE: ASSOCIATE TRANSFER: transferred from Dominion Command
- PATRICIA A. HEARN: NEW ASSOCIATE - spouse of Dennis Hearn
- JEAN PAUL FOURNIER: NEW ASSOCIATE - joined online

Last Post

Morley William Connell
January 31st, 1932 - April 30th, 2023



Morley was a Life Member of our Legion having served 30 years. Many will remember him as our Sergeant at Arms and a strong supporter of the Legion. He also played Tenor Drum in the Highland Mist Pipe band until his health forced him to stop.

Albert (Bert) Fox
February 19, 1923 - May 3, 2023



Bert enlisted in March 1942 and served in the North Atlantic until his honourable discharge in November 1945.

Bert joined the Kanata Branch in 2013 and received his 10-year service pin last year. He and his beautiful wife, Margaret (Peggy), were constant loyal supporters of our Branch and rarely missed a Friday Fish and Chips.

Brenda Grant
Membership Chair

Kanata Legion Bursary Assistance Program 2023 June 1st Deadline

OPEN TO STUDENTS OF:

- Ex-Service personnel or currently serving members of The Canadian Forces (Regular, Reserve & Merchant Navy) and their children & grandchildren
- Commonwealth war veterans & their children & grandchildren
- Ordinary & Life Members of The Royal Canadian Legion - children & grandchildren
- Associate members of The Royal Canadian Legion and their children only
- L.A. members and their children & grandchildren

Applicants who have graduated from or reside in the Kanata Area are given priority in the application process. Consideration is given to students who do not reside in the Kanata area, on the condition that funding is available.



The Bursary Program is designed to assist students entering or continuing their post-secondary education, including courses and programs of a technical and vocational nature, outside of and beyond secondary school. Approved bursary assistance is not based upon scholastic standing but

rather on the successful admission status to a post-secondary institution or successful completion of one or more years leading to a recognized degree, diploma or certificate.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE LEGION NO LATER THAN JUNE 1st, 2023, FOR THE UPCOMING ACADEMIC YEAR, SEPTEMBER TO AUGUST.

Mailing Address:

The Royal Canadian Legion
Kanata Branch 638
Bursary Committee
70 Hines Road, Kanata, Ontario
K2K 2M5

Phone: (613) 591-5570

For an application please download directly from
<https://kanatalegion.ca/bursary-program/>

Chris Braeuel
Bursary Committee Chair
613-402-4244

Ladies' Auxiliary

On behalf of the Ladies' Auxiliary, I wish to congratulate the newly elected Branch Executive. We look forward to working together in the new year 2023-2024.

On May 3rd, the Ladies' Auxiliary held their annual elections. I wish to take this opportunity to thank the following branch members for making time to come out to conduct the elections and installation of the newly elected officers: President, Bill Molnar; Third Vice-President, Jim Hemlin; Second Vice-President, Mary-Jo Gauthier; L.A. Liaison Officer, Dennis Hearn, and Executive Committee member, George Pollock. A job well done. A very special thanks to each of you with much appreciation.

Ladies' Auxiliary 2023 Election results effective June 1, 2023

Lorraine Lapensée	President
Betty Ann Pollock	Immediate Past President
Suzanne St. John	1st Vice-President
Debby Holden	2nd Vice-President
PJ Rose	Secretary
Rosanne Birtch	Treasurer
Bonnie Jessup	Executive
Sylvia Monette	Executive
Sheila Taylor	Executive
Johanna Walters	Sgt. @ Arms

Eleven of our Ladies' Auxiliary members attended the Annual L.A. Zone G6 Convention on Sunday, April 30th, hosted by the Perth Ladies' Auxiliary. Scott Reid, MP, presented a very informative speech on the significance and history of the word "Royal" being a part of some Canadian organizations; i.e., The Royal Canadian Legion. Judy Brown, Perth Mayor, highlighted her role and responsibilities as mayor and welcomed the eight Ladies' Auxiliaries to Perth. Guest speaker, Yolande McKinnon, L.A. Provincial Third Vice-President, presented up-to-date business, reminders of some processes and an update on the production of the newly updated By-laws books. This convention was a great opportunity to get to know the seven other Ladies' Auxiliaries in Zone G6.

On May 13th, the Ladies' Auxiliary held a very successful Mother's Day Tea and Fashion Show featuring fashion from Valley Girls Plus. In a beautifully decorated hall and table settings of purple, white & yellow decor, 61 guests enjoyed the fashion show as they shopped for new summer wear modelled by models of different ages and sizes. There were eight vendors on site selling a variety of crafts, Epicure and Tupperware for our guests shopping convenience. Special thanks to the volunteers and to those who came out to support the L.A.



A reminder, a **Trinkets and Treasures Sale** is scheduled for Saturday, June 24, 2023. Donation items for the sale are very welcomed and may be dropped off at the legion between June 9th - June 23rd. (See posters, next page.)

Lorraine Lapensée
Ladies' Auxiliary President



Photograph of the incredibly rare
Scott's Hummingbird
(Facebook)

TRINKETS & TREASURES INDOOR SALE

10am-4pm 70 Hines Road
Free Admission Kanata ON K2K2N5

Tell your friends, family
and neighbours to
come check it out!
Please bring bags!



Saturday June 24th 2023

Fundraiser presented by The Ladies' Auxiliary
Branch 638

Donations Required For TRINKETS & TREASURES Indoor Sale

Clean out your closets, garages, storage sheds and please donate to the sale!

Looking for household items, books, toys, sports gear,
jewelry or any quality item etc.

Please note: We cannot accept broken or dirty items, obsolete
electronics or tires. We also cannot accept large items like
furniture due to lack of storage space.

Questions, please call Sylvia - 613-986-3520
or email s_monette@hotmail.com

Donations can be dropped off at the Legion - 70 Hines Road, Kanata
From June 9th until the evening of June 23rd, 2023
Please call 613-591-5570 to ensure someone is there to receive the items.



Ongoing Events / Sports

Adult Line Dance Lessons - Mondays 3:30-4:30 pm. The
class has been very well received. Registration is
currently full.



Euchre is still going strong! All skill levels are welcome from
the beginners to the pros. We meet every **Tuesday** night at 7
PM in the lounge.

Darts has been suspended for the summer will start again in
the fall.

Open Mic Music is held in the lounge the 1st and 3rd **Saturday**
each month 1-4 pm. If you like to sing or play or just listen,
come and join us. See photo, next page.

Pickle Ball is in the planning stages. Hopefully we can
construct a court in the legion parking lot one that can be
removed in the winter.

Jim Hemlin
Sports Officer



Picture taken by Walter Arksey (Branch photographer) last
General Meeting chaired by President Bill Molnar. Job well
done, comrade Bill.

Jim Hemlin
3rd Vice President



Ken Fleming, our Branch Sports Officer, doing a great job helping out at the **Seniors Darts**. Making coleslaw before cooking fish. – Jim H.



Comrade Brenda Grant just back from Holland. Right back at it kicking up the salad dressing for the **Senior Darts**. – Jim H.



Some of the great musicians that help make our **Open Mike** on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays in the lounge at the legion. It is a fun place to be! – Jim H.

Upcoming Events

Fish & Chips Dinner and Dance



Friday 26 May, 2023

5:00 pm: Bar Open

5:30 pm: Dinner



Fish & Chips

1 pc - \$12

2 pc - \$16

3 pc - \$20

6:30 pm: Musical

Entertainment by our own Jim Guillemette

Tickets Available at the Bar

Limited to the first 96 people who prepay

Tickets will be on sale at the bar for cash, cheque or credit/debit.

Alternate: buyers may e-transfer to claywheaton@rogers.com



CONTACT! Submission Deadlines

Due Sunday Noon

25 June

24 September

22 October

19 November

July, August and December, no newsletter 😊

Lorraine Elmas

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