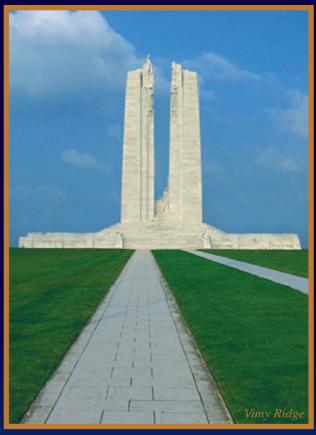
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President's Message / Le mot du président





On behalf of the Officers, Members, Ladies Auxiliary and Staff of The Royal Canadian Legion New Brunswick Command I take this opportunity to congratulate all who participated in making this Commemorative Booklet a reality.

This Commemorative Booklet reveals important components of The Royal Canadian Legion. Our Traditions, Comradeship, Remembrance and Service to Others are clearly outlined.

I trust this Booklet will impart knowledge, evoke memories and ignite friendships old and new.

Our partnership with Fenety Marketing has been very rewarding and I am confident other volumes of The Royal Canadian Legion New Brunswick Command Commemorative Booklet will follow.

Again, to all who participated, Thank You on behalf of all those who will benefit from this most rewarding project.

Yours in Service **A.D. Driscoll**

Au nom des officiers, des membres, des Auxiliaires et du personnel de la Direction du Nouveau-Brunswick, félicitations à tous ceux qui ont contribué à cette brochure commémorative qui met à jour les traditions, la camaraderie, le souvenir et les services typiques de la Légion royale canadienne!

J'espère que cette publication s'avérera révélatrice et évocatrice et qu'elle contribuera à renouveler et à forger des amitiés.

Fenety Marketing nous a fourni une collaboration précieuse de sorte que d'autres éditions de la brochure commémorative de la Direction du Nouveau-Brunswick de la Légion royale canadienne verront sans doute le jour.

Merci donc à tous ceux qui ont participé à cette œuvre enrichissante, au nom de tous ceux qui en bénéficieront.

À votre service **A.D. Driscoll**





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Whereas The Royal Canadian Legion was founded upon principles, which endure today, and will serve well all who belong or may belong in the future including, among others -

- A solemn remembrance of Canadians who gave their lives so that our nation might be free.
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- Advocating the maintenance in and by Canada of adequate defenses.
- Retaining the spirit of comradeship forged in wartime and nurtured in peacetime to the benefit of the history and unity of the nation.

And whereas throughout the history of the Legion certain values have endured to the benefit of the veteran segment, the Ladies Auxiliary and their chosen successors, all to the credit and benefit of the Canadian community.

And whereas it is the recognized duty of each segment, the one to the other, to perpetuate The Royal Canadian Legion and its principles, facilities and programs for the general welfare of our nation now and in the future.

We, the undersigned, for ourselves and representative of our segment of The Royal Canadian Legion, covenant and renew our obligations to each other and to the nation. Attendu que la Légion royale canadienne a été fondée sur la base de principes valables encore aujourd'hui et qui serviront bien tous ceux qui appartiennent à la Légion ou pourraient y appartenir à l'avenir, entre autres -

- De perpétuer solennellement la mémoire des Canadiens qui ont donné leur vie pour que notre pays soit libre.
- La loyauté à la souveraine et au Canada.
- De sauvegarder les droits et les intérêts des invalides de guerre, des veuves et des ayants droit et de tous ceux qui ont servi.
- De maintenir notre droit d'encourager notre peuple et la nation - d'appuyer tout effort raisonnable pour assurer la paix au pays et entre toutes les nations.
- De maintenir dans et pour le Canada le respect des lois - d'encourager un esprit d'unité nationale - l'ordre dans le gouvernement - d'un effort nécessaire pour établir la paix et la bonne volonté entre les Canadiens et parmi toutes les nations.
- De préconiser le maintien au Canada et par le Canada de forces de défense suffisantes.
- De maintenir l'esprit de camaraderie forgé en temps de guerre et de l'entretenir en temps de paix au bénéfice de l'histoire et de l'unité de la nation.

Et attendu que de toute l'histoire de la Légion, le maintien de certaines valeurs a persisté au bénéfice des anciens combattants, des dames auxiliaires et de ceux qui ont été choisis pour leur succéder, tout cela au credit et au profit de la communauté canadienne.

Et attendu que c'est le devoir de chaque segment de la Légion, l'un envers l'autre, de perpétuer la Légion royale canadienne et ses principes, ses services et ses programmes pour le bien-être général de notre nation, maintenant et dans l'avenir.

Nous les soussignés, en notre nom et comme représentant de notre segment de la Légion royale canadienne nous nous engageons à remplir nos obligations l'un envers l'autre et envers la nation.









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Minister's Message / Message du ministre



I am very pleased, as Minister of Public Safety, to applaud the efforts of the New Brunswick veterans in publishing their first "Commemorative History Booklet".

This publication, like the new veterans license plate my department introduced earlier this year, will serve to recognize our veterans who have displayed bravery and courage in times of war or as peace keepers to ensure the safety of Canadians and citizens of other countries.

I commend you for this initiative and I trust that all our NB veterans will get this new license plate which is a very visible reminder in all our communities of the sacrifices that they have made, and continue to make, to ensure that Canadians live in peace and democracy.

Hon. O. Wayne SteevesMinister of Public Safety

À titre de ministre de la Sécurité publique, je félicite le Commandement du Nouveau Brunswick de la Légion royale canadienne et les anciens combattants du Nouveau-Brunswick pour la publication du premier livret commémoratif sur leur histoire.

Cette publication, comme la nouvelle plaque d'immatriculation offerte par notre ministère plus tôt cette année, servira à rendre hommage à nos anciens combattants, qui ont fait preuve de courage et de bravoure, que ce soit en temps de guerre ou à titre de soldats des forces de maintien de la paix, afin de veiller à la sécurité des Canadiens et des citoyens d'autres pays.

J'applaudis cette initiative et je suis persuadé que tous les anciens combattants du Nouveau-Brunswick se procureront cette nouvelle plaque d'immatriculation, qui servira à rappeler dans toutes nos collectivités, de façon très visible, les sacrifices qu'ils ont faits, et qu'ils font toujours, pour assurer que les Canadiens vivent dans la paix et la démocratie.

L'hon. O. Wayne Steeves Ministre de la Sécurité publique





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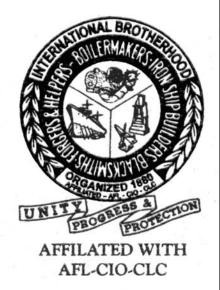
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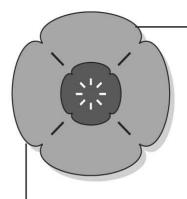
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Nos anciens combattants méritent des soins de santé de qualité.

La population du Nouveau-Brunswick est fière des soins de santé de qualité qui sont dispensés aux anciens combattants par les professionnels de la santé dans l'ensemble de la province. La liberté dont nous profitons aujourd'hui est due à leurs réalisations et à leurs sacrifices en temps de guerre.



Le ministère de la Santé et du Mieux-être désire exprimer à nos courageux anciens combattants toute sa reconnaissance pour leurs sacrifices consentis en notre nom dans le but de nous assurer la liberté et la qualité de vie dont nous jouissons aujourd'hui.





Publisher's Message



It is an honor and privilege to have the opportunity to work with the members of The Royal Canadian Legion – New Brunswick Command on the assembly of their first Commemorative History Booklet. This informative publication highlights some of the cherished history of one of the "oldest veterans' organizations" in North America, The Royal Canadian Legion.

The contributions to our society, made by our Veterans, are invaluable, and should never be forgotten. Unfortunately, with the passing of each year, the number of our country's Veterans decreases, and there may come a time when those who fought on our behalf in major world conflicts will be gone. However, it will always be important to continue to recognize their sacrifices, and acknowledge accomplishments, their through Remembrance Day Ceremonies, and war Memorials.

I look forward to continuing to assist New Brunswick's Veterans, and The Royal Canadian Legion, New Brunswick Command, in assembling Annual "War Service Recognition Booklets" to help recognize the many brave men and women of New Brunswick that have served our Country so valiantly in times of conflict.

We would like to thank the many business community members and private citizens of our Province for their generous support for this unique community project. Without you, this would not have been possible. Thank You!

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Respectfully,

Mark T. Fenety

President

Fenety Marketing Services (Atlantic) Ltd.

C'est un honneur et un privilège que d'avoir l'occasion de travailler aux côtés des membres de la Direction Nouveau-Brunswick de la Légion royale canadienne sur la publication de leur tout premier Livret historique commémoratif. Cette publication instructive souligne la riche histoire de la Légion royale canadienne ici dans notre province.

La contribution inestimable des anciens combattants à notre société ne sera jamais oubliée. Il est triste de constater que d'année en année le nombre d'anciens combattants dans notre pays décroît et que le moment viendra quand ceux qui se sont battus pour nous lors de conflits majeurs ne seront plus. Toutefois, il sera toujours important de continuer à reconnaître leurs sacrifices et accomplissements au moyen de cérémonies du jour du Souvenir et des monuments commémoratifs.

J'ai hâte de poursuivre ma collaboration avec les anciens combattants du Nouveau-Brunswick à la préparation d'un "Livret annuel reconnaissant le Service en temps de guerre" qui permettra de reconnaître les braves hommes et femmes qui ont servi leur nation d'une façon si valeureuse en temps de conflit.

Je tiens à remercier les entreprises, les organismes et le public qui ont appuyé si généreusement ce projet communautaire unique en son genre. Vous rendez ce projet possible. Un grand merci!

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The Dominion Command is the national body that governs the Provincial Commands across Canada. It also supports financially, programs for the veterans and the youth of this country. The Command is an advocate for the rights of the veterans at the Federal level of government. Situated in Ottawa, the Command is officially formed in 1925. It is known as the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League. It regroups different war organizations spread out from sea to sea. This amalgamation of these organizations gives a stronger voice on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. They are: Great War Veterans Association, Amputations Association, Imperial Veterans in Canada, Grand Army of United Veterans, Tuberculosis Veterans Association, Army and Navy Veterans, Canadian Legion, Canadian Pensioners Association, Naval Veterans Association, C.N.R. Veterans Guild, Veterans Civil Service Guild and the Disabled Veterans of Alberta. The first Convention was held in Winnipeg, with a membership of twenty thousand members in 1927. The focus on this convention is to ensure the smooth transition of all the above-mentioned organizations and establish a Resolution Committee to coordinate motions affecting pensions, medical treatment for veterans and re-establishment of soldiers in their communities. Worthy of mention is the second National Convention held at the Admiral Beatty Hotel in Saint John, New Brunswick in 1928. One of the items on their agenda was to assist in the Diamond Jubilee of Canada. The Royal Canadian Legion is Canada's largest veterans', ex-service persons and community service organization with more than 480,000 members and 1,600 Branches in Canada, the USA (20) and Germany (3). It provides services to veterans, ex-service persons, seniors, youth and numerous community-based charities.

Note: Excerpt from "A Look At History 1926 – 2001" by/par Line Michaud

La division nationale chapeaute toutes les divisions provinciales au Canada. Elle apporte un soutien financier aux programmes destinés aux anciens combattants et à la jeunesse du pays et protège et défend les droits des anciens combattants à l'échelle fédérale. La division nationale prend naissance à Ottawa en 1925, sous le nom de Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League et regroupe un certain nombre d'organismes militaires d'un océan à l'autre (Great War Veterans Association, Amputations Association, Imperial Veterans in Canada, Grand Army of United Veterans, Tuberculosis Veterans Association, Army and Navy Veterans, Canadian Legion, Canadian Pensioners Association, Naval Veterans Association, C.N.R. Veterans Guild, Veterans Civil Service Guild et the Disabled Veterans of Alberta). L'amalgamation de tous ces organismes avait pour but d'intensifier la voix des anciens combattants devant le Parlement d'Ottawa. Le premier congrès national a eu lieu à Winnipeg en 1927 alors qu'il y avait déjà 20 000 membres. Ce congrès avait pour but d'assurer la transition harmonieuse de tous les organismes et de coordonner les dispositions ayant trait aux pensions, aux soins médicaux des anciens combattants et la réinsertion des militaires dans leurs collectivités. Le second congrès national a eu lieu à l'Hôtel Admiral Beatty de Saint John (N.-B.) en 1928, où l'on a discuté de la contribution de la Légion royale canadienne au jubilé de diamant du Canada.

La Légion royale canadienne constitue le plus considérable organisme de service communautaire à l'intention des anciens combattants et des militaires retraités et compte 480 000 membres dans 1 600 filiales au Canada, 20 aux États-Unis et 3 en Allemagne. Elle offre ses services aux anciens combattants, aux militaires retraités, aux personnes âgées, aux jeunes et à plusieurs œuvres communautaires de bienfaisance.

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New Brunswick Command History

New Brunswick Command is the "administrative unit" for all Branches in the Province. The Command received their Charter from Dominion Command on July 1st, 1926 – we were the first Provincial Command to receive their Charter.

The Command is responsible for the promotion of the different activities for the veterans, the services to the communities and individuals. The first New Brunswick Command Convention was held in 1927 in Fredericton. These Conventions continued annually for 75 years. In 2001 it was decided that Conventions would be held every two years.

The Head Office

Before 1948, the New Brunswick Command did not have a permanent address. The headquarters were located wherever the Provincial President lived.

The first permanent quarters were in the Bank of Nova Scotia building on Charlotte Street and opened in November 1948. With some talks about moving their head office to a more central location, the Woodstock Branch passed a motion the same year to investigate a move to Fredericton where it would be closer to the Provincial government. Five years later, a committee was formed to find a permanent home for the Command. Now situated at 208 Lancaster Avenue temporarily, the Committee had to decide to purchase or build a new office. Some felt that it would be better to rent than to build at a cost of at least \$10,000. A close deal fell through in October of 1953 at 208 Lancaster Avenue. The owner of the property sold the building for a sum of \$14,000, a thousand less than what the Command was willing to pay.

The next year, the Committee investigated the possibility of moving to 98 Main Street, Lancaster. The building was evaluated at \$13,000 with the renovations estimated at \$3,000. The building itself would seem to be adequate although it is somewhat ancient, and would require some alteration and repair. It was in an ideal location with banking facilities, post office, railway facilities and bus transportation in the immediate area. After some lengthy discussion, it was decided that this option was not feasible.

La Direction du Nouveau-Brunswick, l'unité administrative de toutes les filiales provinciales; a obtenu sa charte de la division nationale, le 1er juillet 1926, la première division canadienne à recevoir une charte d'incorporation.

La division a pour mission de promouvoir les activités à l'intention des anciens combattants, de même que les services destinés aux collectivités et aux particuliers. Le premier congrès de la Direction du Nouveau-Brunswick a eu lieu à Fredericton en 1927. Les congrès annuels ont continué sans interruption pendant 75 ans. À partir de 2001, ils ont lieu tous les deux ans.

Le siège social

Avant 1948, la Direction du Nouveau-Brunswick n'avait pas de siège social permanent; celui-ci se déplaçait au gré du président.

Le premier bureau permanent, ouvert en novembre 1948, se situait dans l'édifice de la banque de Nouvelle-Écosse, sur la rue Charlotte. On discute de la possibilité de situer le bureau provincial dans un endroit plus central de la province. La filiale de Woodstock suggère Fredericton à cause de la proximité des bureaux du gouvernement provincial. Cinq ans plus tard, le comité mandaté pour trouver un siège social permanent, décide d'ouvrir un bureau temporaire au 208 de l'avenue Lancaster pendant qu'on étudie la possibilité d'acheter ou de construire un édifice. Certains optent pour la location, malgré un coût d'au moins 10 000 \$. La proposition contestée devient désuète en novembre 1953, lorsque le propriétaire de l'édifice situé au 208 de l'avenue Lancaster vend l'édifice pour la somme de 14 000 \$, soit 1 000 \$ de moins que ce que la division consentait à payer.



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The Committee was back on the hunt to find suitable accommodation for their headquarters. In 1955, the Committee decided to build at 490 Douglas Avenue, with a 99-year lease on the property negotiated with the City of Saint John. Mott and Myles, Architects, design the new headquarters, which would provide offices for the Provincial Secretary and the Command staff, including the Service Bureau. With repairs at the end of 1990, the headquarters for the Provincial Command remains a place to do business, meetings and greet visitors.

Although service to our Veterans and their dependents is the primary reason that The Royal Canadian Legion exists; two extremely important Youth programs have also become a primary interest of the Legion in New Brunswick. For over 43 years the Command has operated our Youth Leadership Camp and our Track & Field Program. Many thousands of our New Brunswick youth have benefited greatly from these programs.

The Legion in New Brunswick is extremely active in virtually every community in the Province. Through our Command Community Services Fund we have contributed in excess of three-quarters of a million dollars to community projects throughout New Brunswick in the past 20 years.

New Brunswick Command has almost 15,000 Members in 79 Legion Branches spread out over the entire Province who contribute greatly to the communities wherein they are located.



L'année suivante, le comité propose de déménager au 98 de la rue principale, à Lancaster. L'édifice, qui vaut 13 000 \$ à l'époque, exige des rénovations évaluées à 3 000 \$. Malgré son âge, l'édifice pourrait répondre aux besoins avec quelques modifications. Il se situe à proximité de quelques banques, d'un bureau de poste, d'une voie ferrée et d'un arrêt d'autobus. Le projet ne se réalise pas.

Le comité reprend sa recherche et en 1955, décide de construire un édifice au 490 de l'avenue Douglas et de louer le terrain de la ville pour une période de 99 ans. La firme d'architectes Mott & Myles dresse des plans qui incluent des bureaux pour le secrétaire provincial et pour le personnel de la division y compris le bureau de services. Réparé en 1990, l'édifice de l'avenue Douglas demeure toujours le siège social de la division provinciale ainsi qu'un lieu de travail, de réunions et d'accueil des visiteurs.

La Légion royale canadienne existe d'abord pour servir les anciens combattants et leurs personnes à charge; cependant, deux programmes à l'intention des jeunes ont pris de l'importance au Nouveau-Brunswick. Depuis plus de 43 ans, la division s'occupe d'un camp de leadership pour les jeunes et d'un programme de piste et pelouse. Des milliers de jeunes de la province en ont profité au cours des années.

Au Nouveau-Brunswick, la Légion royale canadienne existe et agit dans la majorité de collectivités. En 20 ans, par l'intermédiaire du Fonds de service à la collectivité, elle a contribué plus de trois-quarts de millions de dollars à des projets communautaires à travers le Nouveau-Brunswick.

La Direction du Nouveau-Brunswick compte actuellement plus de 15 000 membres qui oeuvrent dans 79 filiales un peu partout dans la province et qui contribuent aux collectivités où elles existent.



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*	G. Earle Logan	1932-34	Saint John	Army WWI
*	W.C. Lawson, MC	1934-36	Royal	Army WWI
*	E.B. McLatchey	1936-37	North Shore	Army WWI
*	J.B. Dever	1937-38	Saint John	Army WWI
*	C.B. Burden	1938-39	Capital	Army WWI
*	A.T. McLean	1939-40	West/Albert	Army WWI
*	F.T. Dorey	1940-42	St. Croix	Army WWI
*	A.D. Rankine	1942-43	Saint John	Army WWI
*	J. Miles Gibson, OBE	1943-45	Capital	Army WWI
*	A.M. McMurray	1945-46	North Shore	Army WWI
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*	Hugh M. Tait	1951-53	Upper Valley	Army WWI
*	H.W. Sutherland	1953-54	North Shore	Army WWI
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*	Rupert V. McCabe	1961-62	Upper Valley	Army WW2
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*	Ronald A. Humes	1969-70	West/Albert	Army WW2
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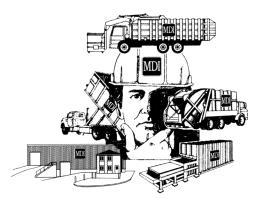
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Funds raised from these events are donated to the Legion Branches to assist them in their operations and for "special projects" that the Branch may have planned. In addition the Auxiliaries also make donations to worthy causes within their communities.

Many Auxiliaries also provide bursaries to deserving students attending High Schools in their local area.

The Ladies Auxiliary provides sports competition at the local and provincial level for their members. These sports include darts, bowling, cribbage, shuffleboard, etc.

In 2001 Ladies Auxiliaries raised in excess of \$815,000.00 and spent almost \$780,000.00 in purchases in their local area as well as donations of over \$203,000.00 to their own Branches.

There are over 3,000 members of the Ladies Auxiliary in the Province of New Brunswick in 70 Branches of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Many of the Legion Branches owe their existence to their Ladies Auxiliary. Were it not for them the Branch would have probably closed many years ago.

The Ladies Auxiliary holds an Annual Convention at various locations throughout New Brunswick.

Many Ladies Auxiliary members hold dual membership – Ladies Auxiliary and Legion Branch.

With the declining Veteran Membership in the Legion the Ladies Auxiliary members who have joined the Legion have pitched in to provide leadership that is very much needed in The Royal Canadian Legion.

Les Auxiliaires féminins de la légion royale canadienne existent légalement depuis le 24 octobre 1932, dans le but d'aider les diverses filiales de la Légion royale canadienne à assurer l'accueil lors des différentes activités de la LRC (réceptions, mariages, compétitions sportives, etc.).

Les bénéfices de leurs activités retournent à la LRC qui s'en sert pour financer ses opérations et les projets spéciaux des filiales. En outre, les Auxiliaires féminins contribuent à des causes communautaires et offrent des bourses d'études à des étudiants choisis dans les écoles secondaires de leur région.

Les Auxiliaires organisent des rencontres sportives locales et provinciales pour leurs membres. Parmi ces sports, il faut signaler les fléchettes, les quilles, le crib, le jeu de palets, etc.

En 2001, les Auxiliaires féminins ont recueilli plus de 815 000 \$, contribué près de 780 000 \$ à l'économie locale et remis une somme de 203 000 \$ à leurs filiales.

Les Auxiliaires féminins comptent plus de 3 000 membres au Nouveau-Brunswick, dans 70 filiales de la LRC, dont certaines leur doivent leur survie depuis quelques années.

Les Auxiliaires féminins tiennent un congrès à un endroit différent du Nouveau-Brunswick tous les ans.

Plusieurs Auxiliaires font aussi partie de la LRC à titre de membres.

Étant donné le nombre sans cesse décroissant des anciens combattants, les Auxiliaires féminins membres de la LRC contribuent à assurer le leadership nécessaire à la Légion royale canadienne.



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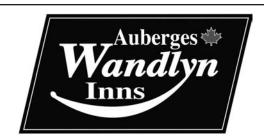


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Terms As President, Including Four Associate Members.			(*) Indicates Deceased (A) Indicates Associate		
*	James Sansom	1948 - 49	*	Arnold Astle	1974
*	Eric Holmden	1949 - 50		Ora Ross	1975
*	Murray Forbes	1951 - 52	*	Brian Burnett	1976 - 77
*	Lloyd MacDonald	1953 - 54	*	Byron Clark	1978-79-80-81
*	William Russell	1955		Frederick Ryan	1982 - 83 - 84
*	Allan Cleghom	1956 - 57	*	Emerson Calhoun	1985 - 86
*	Montclair Webster	1958	*	Wilmot Ross	1987 - 88 - 89
*	Byron Clark	1959-60-61	(A) James Campbell	1990-91
*	Wilmot Ross	1962 - 63	(A) Joyce Webster	1992 - 93
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*	Montclair Webster	1967		Thurston Gallagher	1999-00
*	Theodore Fraser	1968 - 69 - 70	(A) Elizabeth Smith	2001 - 02
	Robert Sweeney	1971 - 72		Walter Norrad	2003
	Merlin Storey	1973			

Over the years the branch has been active in all phases of Legion work. In the early years the branch was fortunate to have #32 A.O.D. In close vicinity and drew many members from there.

Present day activities include darts, bingo, and other fund raising events. Popular is the annual river run. The branch conducts an active poppy campaign and has recently gone to the mail out approach.

A close association is maintained with the N.B. Chapter Of The Black Watch as the 42nd Highland Regt. Burial Ground is located nearby. An Annual Remembrance Service is held there as well as at the branch, and also in the area formally serviced by our sister branch Nashwaak Headwaters. Beaverbrook has assumed responsibility for that area and has welcomed many former members of that branch.

In 2002, with a membership of 151 plus 30 Auxiliary, Beaverbrook undertook to renovate part of the downstairs area and created a memorial room and museum.



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In 1918 Fredericton, Branch #4 began as the Great War Veterans Association and when the Canadian Legion was formed in 1926, Branch #4 changed its name to Fredericton Branch #4, The Canadian Legion. From small beginnings in 1918, the Branch grew rapidly, always adhering to the Aims and Objects of the Legion as set down in Dominion Conventions.

Branch #4 occupied several venues over the years, but after WWII, was located at what is now the Museum on Queen St. That venue soon became too small to accommodate the membership and on October 21, 1959, a column of war Veterans marched from the Museum to a new building at the foot of Northumberland Street. Then, in 1960, Branch #4 received authority from the Provincial Government to establish a non-profit company composed of Branch members and to be known as Fredericton Legion Estates Inc. This allowed the Branch to construct, hold and manage a low-rental housing project for aging veterans.

When the Veterans Long Care Facility was established in 1977, Branch #4 played a large part by providing furnishings and equipment. To further assist those vets, Branch #4 made a substantial contribution to the City for the purchase of a Dial-A-Bus.

The Branch supports youth through Boy Scouts, 242 Army Cadet Corp, Fredericton High School Bands, Track and Field, Bursaries and Youth Leadership Camp. They also support the Fredericton Concert and Marching Band. Branch #4 conducts a School Program where grade 7 classes are invited to the Branch, told some of the history of the Branch and the Wars, and conducted on a tour of the building to see and examine the many artifacts. Branch #4 has hosted several Provincial Conventions and several members have served on Provincial Command, with Paul Burden, DFC as a Past President and Past Grand Patron of Command.

The Ladies Auxiliary held its first meeting on October 5, 1950 and received its charter on the 13th of that month. First President Bessie MacNabb is now 101 years of age and is residing in a nursing home and is still interested in news of the Auxiliary. At first, the ladies were not well received by many Legion members; but, now the Branch and Auxiliary are strong supporters of each other and the Ladies' work on the Poppy Campaign is exceptional. Many hours standing in the Malls distributing poppies have resulted in large contributions to the fund. The Ladies support all the efforts of the Legion, both financially and physically.

Both the Branch and the Auxiliary work diligently for the Poppy Campaign along with attending both the Church service and Remembrance Day Ceremonies. For the past few years, Branch #4 and the Auxiliary have conducted Remembrance services at the Kingsclear First Nations and are treated to a delicious dinner following the ceremonies.

To accommodate elderly members and those in wheelchairs, the Branch has recently installed a "lift". Hopefully, this will encourage these members to attend meetings and other functions.

Fredericton Branch #4 and Auxiliary have been faithful to the memory of fallen Comrades and to the Aims and Objects of The Royal Canadian Legion. It has provided great pleasure and companionship for many, which is essential to the spirit of the organization.

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Gladstone Branch # 55

Our Legion is Gladstone Branch #55 located in Fredericton Junction; our Charter was applied for, and was granted on July 30, 1946 with a total of 36 paid-up members, as of December 30, 1946 there were 80 paid-up members.

The initial building was constructed in 1949, since that time period there have been two major renovations. The current Cenotaph was unveiled on May 25, 1969.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter in 1947. They have been a constant source of assistance over the years and have donated in excess of \$80,000 dollars to the Branch.

The Legion hands out from two to five Bursaries each year to students who are furthering their education.

We are proud to state that we have the only School Reading Program in the province. Several of our members go to the local school each week and read to students from Kindergarten to Grade Two. This is a very worthwhile project and the students look forward to our members being there each week.

Our reoccurring activities include Darts on a weekly basis, Cribbage monthly, and Bingo held every week, with Bingo being our main source of revenues.

The Legion also manages a facility known as "Legion Estates", which opened on April 8, 1988. Its purpose is to house senior citizens, who are placed on a first-come, first-serve basis. The facility has ten units.

Our Legion gets involved in parades plus the celebrating of Remembrance Day.

We give out the normal donations to clubs and organizations that request them. Our branch is very active and constantly strives to be an active part of the community in which it serves.

The Officers elected for 2002 for the Branch were;

Honorary President	Bill Scott

Past President Stillman Maynard

President Joe Savoie

Secretary/Treasurer Charles Plaster

1St Vice President Gil Briggs

2nd Vice President Helen Jewett

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Back row L to R - Chester Mott, Bryce Allen, Stillman Maynard, Alfie Blizzard, Bernie Mott, and Bert Nason,

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Lower Southampton Branch # 27 - Nackawic, NB

Branch 27 was formed in 1930, with William Flemming as 1st President and Frank Dunham as Secretary. The Ladies Auxiliary was also formed in 1930 by Mrs. Maud Vesey.

In 1946, the members raised money for a permanent hall.

One of the POW Camps at Ripples was purchased and moved to Culliton. This building burned in 1949 and it was 1958 before the members were able to rebuild.



John Stairs became 1st President with Corbett McGuire as Secretary. The Ladies Auxiliary also started activity again in 1958 with President, Erma Hatto and Secretary, Marie McGuire.

The Branch was relocated to its present site in 1967, when the Mactaquac Dam was built and flooded the old site.

Branch 27 has always been active in the Community, giving monies to local projects, charities and supporting the education of our youth. Service to our veterans and their dependents has always been a priority for the Branch.

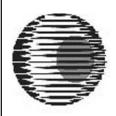
Marysville Branch #15

Marysville Branch #15 received their Charter on January 1, 1927. The current membership of the branch is 310.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on April 9, 1941.

Millville Branch #59

This Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion received their Charter on October 10, 1946. The current membership is 164.



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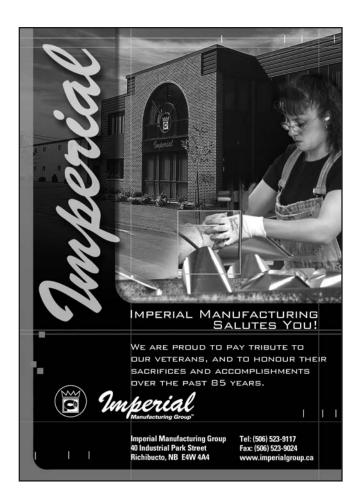
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Normandy Branch # 78

Normandy Branch No. 78 is located in the beautiful Southwest Miramichi area at Boiestown, New Brunswick.

Some years ago, in order to assist in the establishment of a museum all the old photos of our Branch were forwarded to Gagetown.

Currently our Branch sits at the top of the Boiestown Hill, with our Cenotaph located on our property where it is easily accessible to the members and friends of the Legion. Many of our members actually qualify for life membership in the Branch; and it says a lot for our members that few wish to access this procedure although many are qualified for it.

Our Branch continues to run a Bingo on Thursday evenings, and this has been a long-standing event for approximately 20 years. We have an active Darts Team and our men regularly place high in the standings of the League. Some of our members are professional musicians who regularly devote their talents to attending and performing at various functions throughout the community. We actively attend at our local high school and support the bursary program for students, and the youth leadership program.

Our Ladies Auxiliary have devoted themselves to supporting Legion endeavors over the years, and it is with much pride that we commend them for all their efforts on our behalf.

We boast a Memorial Room that is second to none. Our members, chaired by long-time member Merle Hunter, have given us a room that is worth the trip to Boiestown to see, and we urge you to do so. They have placed souvenirs of the war years, including the various "shot", in the room. But what makes this room really special to all are the pictures of our Vets which line the walls and form a continuing testimony of the dedication and selflessness of the residents of the communities comprising the Southwest Miramichi.

We have elected not to submit pictures of our Executive (pictures lie a little because we are all young in heart and full of enthusiasm for our branch). Our current President is Gerald Hovey; First Vice-President is Sonia Lunn; Secretary is Elizabeth Munn; Treasurer is Doug Guitard. We hope to see you in Boiestown the next time you're traveling through New Brunswick; and thank you for taking the time to read about our Branch.







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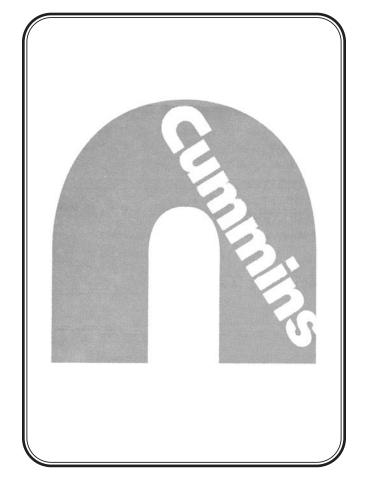
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Oromocto Branch # 93

Oromocto Branch 93, located at 284 Restigouche Road in Oromocto, New Brunswick received its charter in 1964 and since that time its members have strived to maintain the purposes and objects of The Royal Canadian Legion. The charter members were; Harry B. Arnold, Earnest C. Brown, Hubert C. Cox, Richard O. Doncaster, Harry I. Evans, James A. Gaudet, John Henderson, Leo F. Heynick, Walter B. Mott, J. Willard Parker, Martin R. Sabean and Roy E. Young. Membership has fluctuated over the almost forty years of its charter and now stands at approximately 690, 27 of which are life members. Branch 93 also has a very dedicated and hard working Ladies Auxiliary with a current strength of approximately 70.

The Branch has an excellent record for providing service and support to its members, veterans, seniors, youth groups and organizations and the community at large. The highlight of each year is the Poppy Campaign culminating with the Remembrance Day Parade and Cenotaph Service on November 11th. Branch 93 supports the annual Poster, Essay and Literary Contests by judging and providing prizes to the top three winners in each category. Bursaries are provided each year to six deserving students from the graduating class of Oromocto High School who will be furthering their education at a college or university.

Our two Branch Service Officers are very active providing assistance to Branch members, serving and non-serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces as well as many other requests from members of the local community.

The Branch is the proud sponsor of 341 RCSCC Nipigon, 2647 RCACC, 334 Squadron RCAC and the Navy League of Canada Oromocto Branch, which sponsors the 189 Navy League Cadet Corps Oromocto.

Over the past years Branch 93 has been a strong supporter of Track and Field, Soft Ball, Youth Leadership and other community sports. Branch members also participate in many

Provincial and Dominion sports tournaments including darts, pool, shuffleboard and various card tournaments such as euchre. The Branch provides a good variety of weekly entertainment to its members and guests. The Branch also provides its members and the community with excellent bingo opportunities. It is also possible to book the Branch facilities for large or small private functions such as wedding receptions, anniversaries, parties, association reunions and others. These functions can be and often are catered by the Branch or the Ladies Auxiliary.

Branch 93 Executive for 2003 are: Comrades Robert Leblanc President, Sanford Worrall1St Vice President, Harold Perrin 2nd Vice President, John Ladouceur Past President, Jim Young Honourary President, Paul Gallinger Secretary/Treasurer, John Poole and Joe Longphee Service Officers, Rev Ken Weir Padre and Earl Graves and Terry Scott Sgt-at-Arms. Committee Chairpersons are: Claire Mosher, Loretta Naish, John Sparling, Robert MacDougall, Maureen Richard, Brent Graham, Maureen MacDonald, Margaret Smith, John Mosher and Bernard Doucette. Comrade Paul Lafleur is the Branch Manager.





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Harry Arnold	1964 - 1968
George Sampson	1969 – 1970

BRANCH 93 PAST PRESIDENTS

Harold Arnott 1971 Glen Stewart 1972 – 1973, 1978 -1980

John Henderson 1974 John Murdock 1975 Melvin Murray 1976, 1981 Ronald Ward 1977 Angus Grant 1982

BRANCH 93 LADIES AUXILIARY PAST PRESIDENTS:

Evelyn Crawford 1965 -1966
Eleanor Carroll 1967
Martha Tattrie 1968 – 1970, 1974
Betty Powell 1971, 1979, 1986–1988, 1998 - 1999
Dorothy Dealhoy 1972 - 1973
M. Melanson 1975

John Mosher 1983 - 19841985 - 1986George Kelly Alexander Dickerson 1987 - 1988Mel Hayden 1989 - 19901991 - 1992Beryl Thomas Jim Young 1993 - 1995 1996, 2002 John Ladouceur Robert LeBlanc 1997 - 1999, 2003 Ted Rumbolt 2000 - 2001

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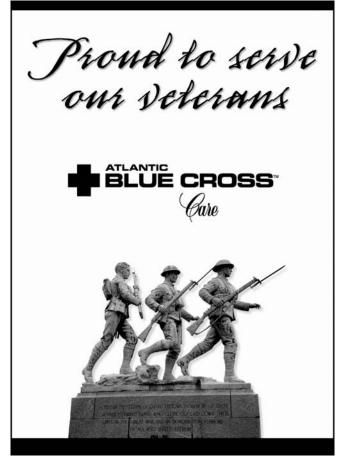
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Northumberland/Kent District

An organizational meeting for the purpose of forming a District was held in Newcastle (now Miramichi West), New Brunswick on May 9, 1948. The Branches involved were: Chatham Branch #3, Newcastle (now Miramichi) Branch #10, Doaktown Branch 23.

Between 1948 and 1957 the boundaries were changed slightly. Bouctouche Branch 43 joined Westmorland-Albert District and Boiestown/Normandy Branch 78 joined Capital District. Three new Branches were formed: Northwest Miramichi Branch 90, Churchill Branch 95 and Big Cove Branch 97.

Big Cove Branch 97 and Churchill Branch 95 returned their charters over the years due to declining membership and support for their Branches.

The following is a partial list of District Commanders who have served Northumberland Kent District since the District was formed in 1948:

H.M. Heckbert	Gerald P. Allain	Reg Miller	Roger Farrer
Eulas Gallant	John Fortune	John King	Gray Godfrey
Lawrence Whitney	Leo Finnigan	Fred Matthews	Norman Thompson
Angus Grant	David Hogan	James Acker	Leo Johnson
Malcolm Betts	Mavis Cooper		

The following District Commanders also became Provincial Presidents:

H.M. Heckbert Gerald P. Allain Rev. Reg. Miller Eulas Gallant

John Fortune David Hogan Leo Johnson

With the election of Mavis Cooper to the position of 2nd Vice President, New Brunswick Command on August 31, 2003, Angus Grant, Branch 23 has assumed the position of District Commander of Northumberland/Kent District.

Northumberland / Kent District
Commander 2003 - 2005

Branches

Angus Grant	Blackville Branch # 49	Neguac Branch #61
Blissfield, NB	Chatham Branch # 003	N.W. Miramichi Branch # 90
	Doaktown Branch# 23	Richibucto Branch # 30
	Harcourt Branch# 75	Rogersville Branch # 38
	Miramichi Branch # 10	Tabusintac Branch # 47

Blackville Branch #49

Blackville Branch 49 received their Charter on April 4, 1945. The current membership of the Branch is 25. The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on March 30, 1949.



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Chatham Branch #3

Chatham Branch #3 received their Charter on May 26, 1927.

At the present time the membership is 268. The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on October 11, 1944.

Doaktown Branch #23

Doaktown Branch received their Charter on September 17, 1930. At the present time Branch membership is 165. The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on April 23, 1952.

Harcourt Branch #75

On November 12, 1947 a meeting was held to form the organization of Branch #75 Harcourt, with 15 charter members. The names of the Charter members were Carleton Hetherington, Donald Lampkey, Daniel McGlinchey, Thomas Fahey, Stanley MacArthur, Aubrey Ward, George Morris, Boyd Little, Andrew Arsenault, Francis King, Murray Little, Arthur Scott, Vernon Ward, Sterling McGlinchey and Frederick Ward. Today Vernon Ward is the only Charter Member still living.

The names of the first officers were, President Mr. Carleton Hetherington, 1st Vice Mr. Donald Lampkey, 2nd Vice Mr. Daniel McGlinchey, Secretary Mr. Thomas Fahey, Treasurer Mr. Thomas Fahey.

The following year in 1948 construction on a Legion Hall began and was completed before the end of the year.

The Ladies Auxiliary was chartered in 1951 with 13 members: Alice Agnew, Annabelle Agnew, Myrtle Berry, Ruby Beers, Julia Conners, Ruth Fahey, Dorothy Lamkey, Ruby McClary, Alice McPherson, Bertha Petley Vera Wellwood, Ruth Petley and Vera Petley. Today Ruby McClary is the only member of our Charter Members still living.

In May of 1973 our Legion building was destroyed by fire. We temporarily moved into the Harcourt Community Hall until a new building was built. The new building was officially opened on November 11, 1975.

On November 11, 1995, through the hard work and dedication of our Ladies Auxiliary a Memorial was erected to honor our local veterans who have passed on. Since the erection of the Memorial the attendance at our Remembrance Day services has doubled.

Over the years our Legion and Auxiliary Members have worked hard to support our Branch in every way. Although we only have two WWII Veterans left, we strive to serve our community in a way that will honor the memory of all Veterans.

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Miramichi Branch # 10

A charter was granted to *The West Northumberland, New Brunswick No. 10 British Empire Service League* on June 8, 1928; from 1955 to 1963 it was known as the *Newcastle, New Brunswick, No. 10 Canadian Legion*; from 1963 to 1973 it was the *Newcastle, New Brunswick, No. 10, Royal Canadian Legion*; and finally from 1973 to 2003 its present name is The *Royal Canadian Legion, Miramichi Branch No. 10*.

The original charter was signed by 15 members: R.T.D. Aitken, Walter Anderson, A.L. Barry, J.A.M. Bell, J.J.A. Leger, Charles MacDonald, W.E. MacDonald, J.P. Manderson, T.W. Miller, W.M.D. Nicholson, J.W. Pell, T.M. Ronan, W.Y.C. Shepard, H.M.S. Stables, and Ben Williston.

Past Presidents of Miramichi Branch No. 10 are:

**	R.T.D. Aitken	1926
**	J.P. Manderson	1927-1928
*	Dr. J.A.M. Bell	1929-1930
*	A.B. Williston	1931
*	W.H. Davidson	1932-1933
*	J.A. Leger	1934
*	P. Ronan	1935
*	G.W. Miller	1936-1937
*	A.L. Barry	1938-1939
*	A.P. Devlin	1940-1945
*	R.S. Wood	1946-1947
*	H.G. Crocker	1948-1950
	R.G. Farrer	1951-1952
	A.P. Tracy-Gould	1953
*	A. Cross	1954
*	S.J. Campbell	1955
*	W.W. Barge	1956
*	F.C. Morell	1957
*	S.J. Campbell	1958
*	J.D. Creaghan	1959-1962
*	R. Reid	1963-1964
*	E.J. Gallant	1965-1966
*	M.R. Palmer	1967
*	G.F. Troy	1968-1970

*	L.D. Carter	1971-1972
	R.A. Bransfield	1973-1974
	L. Mather	1975-1976
*	F.C. Mahoney	1977-1978
*	H.K. Babkirk	1979-1980
*	J.P. Wallace	1981-1982
*	D.E. Taylor	1983-1984
*	D.J. Hogan	1985-1986
	R.M. Westhaver	1987-1988
*	E.E. Coleman	1989-1990
*	F.G. Howe	1991-1992
*	A.M Forrest	1993-1994
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The 2003 Executive of the Ladies Auxiliary Branch No. 10 is: President – Gizella Connolly; 1st Vice President – Cathy Thurston; 2nd Vice President – Jacqueline Chambers; Secretary – Edith Geikie; Treasurer – Phoebe Craik; Councillors – Mary Atkinson; Elizabeth Davis, Alvina Doyle; Bernice Ginnish and Audrey McKinley.

Miramichi Branch 10 is honoured to have had the following serve as Provincial Presidents:

*Col. A.L. Barry 1930-31

Eulas J. Gallant 1973-74

*David J. Hogan 1994-95



Miramichi Branch #10, 1928-1961



Miramichi Branch #10, 1962

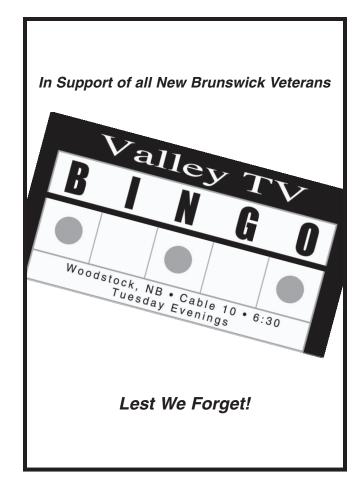


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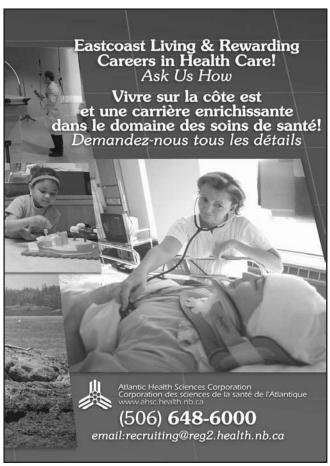
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Neguac Branch #61

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Both the Branch and the Ladies Auxiliary fulfill their obligations under the Charter keeping in mind, at all times, the object and purposes of The Royal Canadian Legion.

The Legion has in all ways possible assisted the Veterans and their dependents and respected our commitment to the youth of our Community.

At the present time the Branch has a membership of 239.



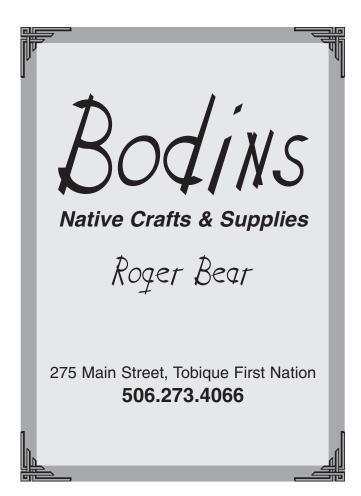
Northwest Miramichi Branch #90

Northwest Miramichi Branch #90, is located in Red Bank. The Branch was chartered on March 12, 1957. Membership is currently 98.

The Branch sponsors the local Army Cadet Corp.

The Ladies Auxiliary was chartered on July 20, 1961.







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Richibucto Branch # 30

Branch Number 30; Richibucto received its charter in 1934 under the leadership of Major P.A. Landry. Although the exact location of the Branch's first gathering is unknown, it is generally believed to have taken place in the parlor of one of the member's home. In the late 1930's, the membership voted to establish quarters in the Temperance Hall renaming it "Kent Memorial Hall". As this building was excessively large for the amount of members after World War 2, they moved to a new location

on Main Street. Unfortunately, the building was destroyed in a fire on communities. Our members are extremely proud of their successes and achievements, however, the growth of competing social clubs in our area coupled with a dwindling membership has taken its toll. It is clear that adjustments will have to be made to insure the Branch's survival.

We are the proud sponsors of 773 Air Cadet Squadron and for over 35 years, they have been an essential part of festivals, parades, and Remembrance Day ceremonies in all communities serviced by Branch #30.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their first Charter in 1935 but records concerning that organization have been lost to history. A new charter was issued in 1957 under the leadership of Domithilde Bourgeois. This Auxiliary has always been and continues to be an integral part of Branch 30, and their untiring commitment and assistance has helped insure the prosperity of the Branch.

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January 6, 1957. The property had been insured for \$10,000.00 but after paying off the outstanding mortgage, the Branch was left with \$5,000 to purchase the land and construct the building we presently occupy. Two extensions to this structure were added over the next 20 years to facilitate catering to weddings, graduations, dances etc., in Richibucto and the surrounding

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1954	LEOPOLD LEGERE	1985 TO 1986	LEO JOHNSON
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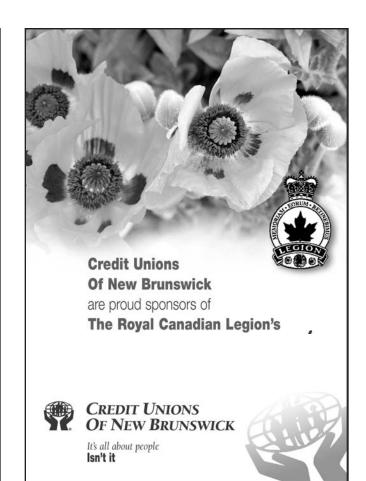
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The Branch has over 500 pictures hanging on the walls in memory of our Veterans who went to War.

On November 11th we have a 2-minute silence to honor our Veterans.

We are a non-profit organization and here to give a helping hand to those of our community. We also sponsor the local Air Cadet Corp.

Rogersville Branch #38 welcomes all visitors.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on October 16, 1950 and continues to be supportive in all aspects of the Branch activities.

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Campbellton Branch #19

Campbellton Branch #19 was Chartered on September 21, 1927. The Branch membership is 271.

The Ladies Auxiliary was Chartered on June 17, 1946.

Caraquet Branch #56

Caraquet Branch #56 received their Charter on August 21, 1946. At the present time Branch membership is 104.

Chaleur Branch #100

This Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion is located in Petit Rocher, NB. The Branch was Chartered on September 8, 1983. At the present time the Branch has a membership of 106.

Dalhousie Branch #17

Dalhousie Branch #17 was Chartered on June 8, 1928. The Branch membership is 133.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on June 17, 1946.





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Henri Pitre Branch #98

This Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion is located in Pointe Verte, NB. They received their Charter on July 9, 1976. At the present time the Branch has 52 members.

The Branch was named after Henri Pitre who at the age of 89 stood proudly outside the Legion as the building was named after him.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on October 10, 1976.

Durham Branch # 77

This Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion is located in Jacquet River, NB. The Branch was originally called Jacquet River Branch # 77 and received their Charter on June 3, 1948.

Twenty years later the Branch name was changed to Durham Branch # 77 with the new Charter being issued on June 8, 1968.

At the present time the Branch has 85 members.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on October 9, 1968.

Herman J. Good VC Branch #18

This Branch, located in Bathurst, NB received its Charter on July 5, 1927 with nineteen Charter members. The Branch was known as Gloucester Branch No. 18 from 1927 to 1966.

The name of the Branch was changed in 1966 to the Herman J. Good VC Branch No. 18 to honor one of our members who had been awarded the Victoria Cross in World War I.

The Charter with the new Branch name was issued on July 15, 1966.

In 1961, it was the feeling of the Branch that our building at the corner of St. George St. and Murray Ave. was not adequate and a committee visited several Branches with new buildings. In Summerside, PEI the committee found what they had been seeking.

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Membership for Branch #18 is currently 505.

Ladies Auxiliary

On September 18, 1945 nineteen ladies met at the Legion rooms with the intent of forming a Ladies Auxiliary. On September 25, 1945 the Ladies Auxiliary of Gloucester Branch No. 18 BESL Canadian Legion was organized. The Charter was received on September 6, 1946.

The new Charter designating the Ladies Auxiliary Herman J. Good VC Branch # 18 was presented on September 9, 1966.



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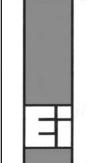
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Legion des Iles Branch #92

This Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion is located in Lameque, N.B. They received their Charter on March 29, 1962. Membership of the Branch is currently 137.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on March 11, 1965.

Ortona Branch #42

Ortona Branch #42 is located in Shippagan, NB and received their Charter on November 7, 1945. The Branch membership is 78.

The Ladies Auxiliary was Chartered on January 1, 1969.

Tracadie Branch #45

Tracadie Branch # 45 is located in Tracadie, NB and received their Charterer on December 29, 1945. The Branch membership is 131.

The Ladies Auxiliary was Chartered on June 6, 1955.

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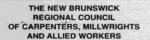
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Alfred Ashburn Branch #71

Alfred Ashburn Branch #71 received their Charter on June 2, 1947. Presently the Branch has a membership of 63.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on May 7, 1956.

Bayview Branch #22

Bayview Branch #22 is located in the town of Grand Bay – Westfield; the Branch received their Charter on January 9, 1930. At that time the Branch was known as Westfield Branch #66. Meetings were held at the Orange Hall in Grand Bay until 1950 when the Grand Bay School House on Woolastook Drive was purchased.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on May 25, 1938. They have always been very helpful to the Branch in raising money for renovations, etc.

In 1961, Welsford Branch #22 and Westfield Branch #66 were amalgamated. The Branch name was changed to Bayview #22.

In 1962 the Branch lost the building to fire. With hard work from members and volunteers in the community, a new building was opened in 1964. The lower level was built and opened with the idea of adding an upper level when it became financially feasible. The building is still in use today.

Over the years the Branch has been active in the Poppy Campaign and helps in the community when called upon.

Although membership is down, the Branch remains very active with Community based activities and looks forward to many busy years ahead.

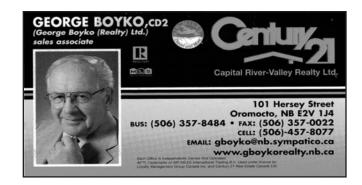


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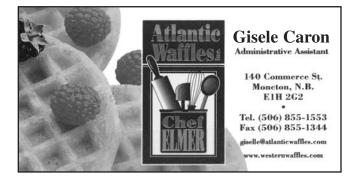




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Chipman Branch #74

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The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on July 23, 1951.

Grand Washademoak Branch #60

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The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on October 2, 1951.





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Greenwich Branch #87

The Branch is located at Central Greenwich, Kings County, near the Saint John River.

The Branch was formed in 1952 by residents of the community, and in particular, by former residents who had lived in or near New Jerusalem, a place in what had become part of Camp Gagetown. Prior to the takeover by the Department of National Defence, New Jerusalem was a thriving community with its own Legion Branch.

Many of the displaced people who had lived in the Camp area wished to stay near their own. They purchased farms and homes along the Saint John River from Westfield to Gagetown Village, that narrow strip of land, which was the eastern boundary of Camp Gagetown.

Veterans from both World Wars were the driving force behind the groups. These were the Charter Members of Greenwich Branch in 1953. At that time they did not have a hall and shared accommodation with other organizations at the Central Greenwich Community Hall.

Under the Equal Opportunity Program in New Brunswick many one-room schools were closed. In 1963, the one-room school on Olinville Road was purchased by Branch No. 87 and, we had our home. Many improvements have been made over the years; a basement bar area, main hall seating capacity of 200, another basement and bar, and our games room. Even today as I write, we are adding a new entrance and badly needed room downstairs at the games room.

Our Branch is responsible for no less than five Cenotaphs. We are honoured to have that responsibility. After an indoor service November 11, we place all the wreaths at the outdoor Cenotaphs. Tribute is very well attended.

CFB Gagetown Troops and our own Cadets take an active part in the tribute.

In 1967, Canada's 100th Birthday, our Branch held a birthday party. This was a huge success, and featured a very large birthday cake. The cake was 4 feet by 8 feet placed on a 4 x 8 sheet of plywood. The massive cake was prepared by the cooks at Blue Mountain Minimum Security Federal Prison which had opened on the edge of Camp Gagetown, about two miles from our hall. The prison has since closed.

Dances have always been part of the tradition of rural communities and ours was no exception. The community hall (presently operated by Senior Citizens) was the site of many a Square Dance. Our Branch got into that dance quickly. We also held round dances, which were more of a Ball Room type.

One thing important and a necessity for any dance then, was a fiddle. We were fortunate to have Allison Inch, Ned Landry, Harold O'Donnell, and Lionel Poirier and others. What they had in common was pure talent. They could play so well that we just had to get up and dance.

We cannot forget the great showman and Banjo Man George Hector, Randy Vail, and others who played so very well.

These days dancing seems to be lost out to other entertainment. We are certain, however, that the dance will not vanish. Times change, and in time we will see our hall packed again with the children and grand children of our generation. Good times are often revisited. Good Dancing!





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The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on May 25, 1938.

Hampstead Branch #70

Hampstead Branch #70 received their Charter on May 21, 1947. Although the Branch only has a Membership of 7 at the present time they continue to function as a Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion.

They faithfully carry out their annual Poppy Campaign under the direction of Comrade Roy Walker who has kept the Branch in operation for many years.

Havelock Branch #86

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They say the Kaiser's very sick, no wonder he would fail With sixty boys right on his track, who'll never leave the trail. Old Kaiser William: headstrong chief, I think I read your doom For if they cannot capture you, they'll sent you to the tomb.

The Havelock boys will all come back, except a few I think. Some will be maimed and others stand on death's far-reaching brink, But we'll give them all a hearty grip, who fought for us so true Who saved up from the trenches mud and perhaps a bullet too.

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One of those families was Have and Roz Chaisson, who took over her father's poolroom and barbershop. Have enlarged it,' adding a variety store and lunch counter. Have Chaisson had served in the North Shore Regiment as a Sergeant; he was an organizer. Have was the first Branch President, and George Jepson the first Secretary.

The Charter members of Branch #86 are:

Maynard Alward	Clayton Cusack	George
Marks		
William P. Alward	Merrill Day	Victor
Murphy		
Clyde Atkinson	Fred Forsythe	Gerry
Melvin		
Gordon Atkinson	Neil Garland	
Raymond Perry		
Dewitt Blakeney	Austin Geldart	Dr.
Ernest Rommell		
Harry Burgess	William Harvey	Ben
Sears		
Havlyn Chaisson	Austin Geldart	Alden
Thorne		
Roy Corey	Frank Hicks	Brewer
Thorne		
Gordon Corey	George Jepson	Burton
Thorne		
Maxwell Cross	Winston Keith	Otty
Thorne		
William Cruickshank		

The meetings were held on the second floor of the Memorial Hall. On October 23rd, 1952 a fire destroyed the movie theatre, Charlie Chapman's Restaurant, and Monty Henderson's Store. Part of the floor and one wall was all that was left of Henderson's Store. The Legion bought this property and proceeded to make it into Branch

quarters. Money was scarce, but some was borrowed. Members chipped and pitched in, soon a new building began appearing.

For several years, a Fall Fair was held held to raise money. Then authority was granted to run a canteen. This was set up in the basement, with concrete steps leading down the outside of the foundation wall. A door and buzzer was installed so that guests could ring the bell and wait for an "eyeball" to appear in the one inch hole that had been drilled in the door. Inside the place was rather bare until a fellow by the name of Pete Tremblay and his wife Theresa moved into town.

The main floor hall was not that large, but dances were organized during the 60's and 70's using the juke box for music. Live bands took up too much room. The smoke on dance nights was so thick that it was decided that a fan should be installed. Gordon Marks did this, the fan had such volume that it sucked the air out of the oil furnace, putting it out, with the result that we had oil fumes throughout the building. In 1960 the hall had a smoldering fire from within, causing heavy smoke damage.

In July of 1978, a motion was passed that the hall be expanded. An extension was built onto the north end of the hall. All work was done on a voluntary basis. On July 21st, 1979, the building was completely destroyed by fire with the new addition not fully completed. All written records of the Branch were also lost at this time. Comrade Harry Burgess, President at the time, called a special meeting on July 27th, 1979. A motion was made by Comrade Clayton Cusack and seconded by Comrade Raymond Perry that we rebuild. A deal was worked out with Arnold Alward where we would trade the lot on Main St. for the present property.

With \$40,000 in insurance money, over \$5,000 in donations, and many hours in volunteer labour, this new Branch building was completed, and furnished with less than \$9,000 owing. On the 24th May, 1980 the official opening was celebrated, with the Provincial President, Amedee Chouinard cutting the ribbon.

In less than 2 years, on April 2nd, 1982, the burning of the mortgage took place. As a result of several break-ins, the General meeting in June 1982 approved the installation of a burglar alarm system. The cost of live music for dances,

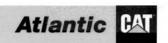
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especially at New Years, was placing a heavy burden on our finances, so in February 1984 a sound system was installed in hopes that dances could continue with DJ'S. In 1985, the Branch participated in the National Diamond Jubilee project by ordering 1,500 tulip bulbs for distribution in the community. Many are still to be seen as you drive through the area.

Since 1993 we have replaced the roof; put eve troughs and facets (under the eves); replaced the back steps; added a wheelchair ramp and wheelchair accessible washroom; put a new sign out front; renovated the kitchen; had a cabinet built in the Veterans Lounge to display our war memorabilia and added a beautiful flower bed to the front lawn.

Garnet Keith compiled a book of photos and brief histories of the Veterans from this area. We continue to have crib on Tuesday nights, darts on Wednesday nights, bingo on Thursday nights and on alternating Fridays we have money Crib/karaoke and darts for meat. We serve breakfast on the second Saturday of each month. Two or three times a year we have Vets and Friends, once a year we have a seniors supper and for the last two years we have held the annual mess dinner for the 639 F.P. MacLaren Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron. Along with the Lions Club and the Community we organized the repairs to the Cenotaphs in our area.

On November 11th each year Branch #86 leads it's members and others in the community to the cenotaph to remember those who made the supreme sacrifice in war, as well as those who have left us since.

Presidents of the Havelock Branch #86 were:

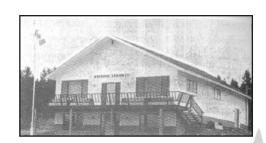
Havelyn Chaisson 1953,1954
William P. Alward 1956
Calyton Cusack 1958,1982,1985
Cecil Hubbard 1960
Sam Harvey 1962
Paul Plume 1975,1976
John Prince 1981
Harold Harper 1987,1989,1990,1991,1992,1995
Lester Wilson 1993,1999,2000
Brian McLong 1996,1997
Robin Forster 2001, 2002

Harry Burgess 1955,1963,1978.1979,1980,1986 George Jepson 1957,1965,1967,1968,1971,1972 George Marks 1959 Bill Harvey 1961,1964,1966,1969,1970 William D. Alward 1973,1974 Bryant Ryder 1977 Ralph Keith 1983,1984 Betty McKnight 1988 Bill Chapman 1994 Carol Killam 1998 Raymond Hetherington 2003

Service Officers were: George Jepson, Harry Burgess, Clayton Cusack, Walter Corey, Harold Harper, Jonathan Keith, and Ralph Keith.

This is only a brief history of the fifty years of the Havelock Legion. To list all the projects, entertainment, fundraisers and renovations would fill a book instead of a few pages. Information was taken from the minute books, which we have kept since the fire and the Havelock History, "Our Proud Heritage". As in any organization volunteers are the mainstay, therefore we would like to thank all of our Volunteers and Members who have made this possible over the years, we cannot thank you enough.





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Kennebecasis Branch #58

Kennebecasis Branch #58 received its charter on October 10, 1946. Charter members included:

R. S. Dobbin	R. MacLean	R. J. Kelly
R. D. McEachern	J. L. Moyse	G. A. Merrithew
W. A. Moyce	A. M. Saunders	G. L. Northrup
R. L. Walker	A. N. Wilcox	D. M. Ward

Our first president was R. J. Kelly and there have been 28 presidents in office during the past 57 years.

The original building was located in Rothesay Park, across the tracks near the Rothesay Yacht Club. In 1958, the current location was established on Rothesay Road. Several renovations since then have resulted in the building we have today.

The Branch membership currently stands at approximately 270. We are active in the community supporting youth organizations, senior functions, sporting events and continue an active relationship with the local Navy League and Sea Cadet Corp.

Current Officer and Executive:

Executive Committee: President **Brian Roberts** Gladys LaKing

Paul Gallant 1st Vice President Emery Hyslop Margaret Chambers Ian Griffin 2nd Vice President Paul Broderick Andrew Dollar Monique Broderick Past President **Granville Jennings** Winston Blair Sharon McCue Treasurer Kelly Gallant George Clarke

Secretary Heather McClintock

There will be several exciting changes taking place in Branch #58 during the next few years as we attempt to keep up with the changing times.

Kennebecasis Branch #58 – Ladies Auxiliary

No. 58 Auxiliary had its beginnings in 1948 and has been very active throughout the ensuing years. Thanks to our many past and present members, they have endured many, many hours of volunteerism; from the present Executive and the community our "Hats Off" to all members involved.

We presently have approximately 50 members, 10 to 15 of whom are active members.

As is the case for many of our Legions across Canada, No. 58 ultimately ran into financial difficulties – our building was becoming too expensive to maintain with fewer and fewer Veterans to financially sustain same. Thus in 2001 members made the decision to lease our second floor. which included our kitchen and dining room.

The consequence of which, the usual catering for functions has been very much curtailed to 50 or less, with a 'make do" kitchen and space. Unfortunately, due to our limitations, we can no longer make the usual yearly donation to our parent Legion as in the past years. We have been able to keep our financial obligations, to date (i.e. yearly scholarships for area graduates, etc.), and we continue to cater small functions, craft and bake sales, etc, to keep our "heads above water."

With fewer active members and circumstances involved, we only hope we can continue to be an active Auxiliary and be of service to our parent Legion and the community.



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Minto Branch # 12

The Royal Canadian Legion Minto Branch #12 was formed in 1926.

The Legion of Minto had many homes over the years. From Main Street Minto to a location on Highway 10, before the new building was built in the 1960's on Legion Street. It was the 1970's before the Minto Legion had been built into the large building that it is today.

At Branch #12 we have a Cenotaph as a tribute to our World War I as well as Korean War Veterans. We also have a memorial located in our lobby to commemorate their sacrifice to The Wars.

The upstairs of our Legion consists of a large hall, which is used for bazaars, breakfasts, benefits, showers, dances and our bingos.

The downstairs consists of a vet's room, a small museum, a large bar room and a games room. Plans are currently being made for a special room for artifacts.

Our membership has decreased over the years. We had a total of 617 members in 1980; we now have a total of 247. In that 247 are 38 World War II and Korean War Veterans.

Our Legion has 27 past presidents. Our president today is David Heagney.

Our Ladies Auxiliary are our money raisers at Poppy time. They organize the poppy trays and the sellers.

The Ladies Auxiliary was formed in 1953. Betty Brown was the first President of the Ladies Auxiliary in Minto. Betty was also a World War II veteran.

Our Ladies Auxiliary's membership is in a decline, with most of them being very senior. We only have 3 charter members left. Younger members are starting to show interest in joining. The Auxiliary has been entertaining at the DVA Hospital. They supply the food and entertainment.

All in all, the Minto branch is as active as it can be for a small town.







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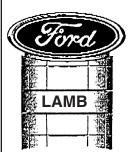






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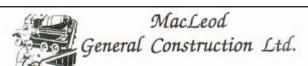
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Norton Branch # 76

Brief Branch History

The Branch had its initial meeting on March 5, 1948 and received its Charter later that year. The front part of the Branch was begun in 1952 and was built to a considerable extent with volunteer labour. The Cenotaph was erected as a Centennial Project in 1967. A large addition was added to the rear of the Branch in 1967. At the present time, major renovations are taking place at the Branch under the direction of Gordon McKenzie.

Brief Ladies Auxiliary History:

The Ladies Auxiliary received its Charter in 1951. The Auxiliary has been of considerable help to the Branch. The Auxiliary surrendered its Charter in 2001, during the 50 years that the Auxiliary was active it gave the Branch \$49,617.00 and also supported other causes.

The Present Executive:

Immediate Past President: Marg Lewell Dorothy Delano President: Linda Totton 1st Vice-President: 2nd Vice-President: Gordon McKenzie Seargent-at-Arms: George Johnson

Secretary: Lois Erb

Treasurer: Beverley Stevens Service Officer Murray Monahan Poppy Chairperson Sandra Keirstead

Padres: George Akerley and Douglas Cosman

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Branch Activities:

Darts are popular and the Branch has very good facilities for Dart Shoots. Cribbage is played twice a week and tournaments are also held. A horseshoe tournament was held recently. Bingo is held every Thursday night, and several special events are held throughout the year. The Branch caters to Wedding and Anniversary Parties. Ducks Unlimited use our facilities. The Branch has a well-attended Remembrance Day Service and conducts a Poppy Campaign. The Branch assists Students, other worthy causes and assists Ex-service Persons.

Past Presidents:

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1948 1950 1948 1950 1953,1954 1956 1959 1962 1965 1977 to 1983	Clarence Reynolds Ralph McFarlane Clarence Reynolds Ralph McFarlane William Taylor Harold Davis Herbert Tait Victor Rice Charles Boyd Douglas Belding	1949 1951,1952 1955 1957,1958 1960,1961 1963,1964 1975,1976 1986,1987 1989,1990 1993,1994	Edward Campbell Marvin Muir William Scott Ivan Reid George Brown Berton Crealock Murray Monahan Helen Monahan Paul Garnett Paul Garnett
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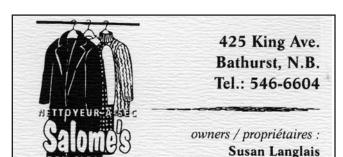
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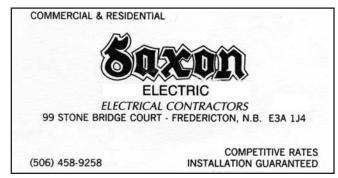
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Phyllis Smith	
Anne Holder	Hilda l
Frances Francis	
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1979 to 1982	Frances Francis
1983,1984	Mary Belding
1985 to 1988	Nina Raven
1989 to 1997	Anne Holder
1998 to 2001	Edna Goddard

Hilda Roberts was the Treasurer for 50 years.

Anne Holder was also a Provincial President of the Ladies Auxiliary.





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Peninsula Branch #62

On October 4, 1946 a meeting was held at the Clifton Hall to organize a Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion on the Kingston Peninsula. The meeting was called to order by Cyrill Wetmore. Roy Brien was elected as the first branch president. The name Peninsula was chosen because it would cover the area from the head of Bellisle Bay, Kingston and parts of Westfield and Springfield. Enrollment dues were \$1.00 with yearly dues \$3.00.

The Peninsula Branch 62 Ladies Auxiliary was established on October 27, 1947, with the first president being Mrs. Gordon Henderson. The ladies have continued to provide valuable support to the branch over the years and remain our biggest asset.

The Clifton Hall was leased for 10 years at \$12.00 per year and Charter members were selected, by-laws prepared by Capt. W. O. Wetmore were approved in 1947.

Card parties were a way of fund raising for the Branch. The first social card party was held on April 10, 1948 with the first prize being a bag of sugar. Social evenings for members were held on the 3rd Saturday each month.

Periodic discussions were held regarding building a Legion Hall at Moss Glen. In June 1951 Craig Parker offered to donate 10,000 feet of standing lumber for the construction of a hall and Roy Brien offered to donate the land for the site. Roy Brien, Tic Smith, Robert Miller, Henry Waddell and Denny Sheldrick were appointed as trustees to look after the real property. They were authorized to borrow \$10,000.00 for the construction. Ed Hughes was appointed Building Inspector in September 1952. The new Legion Hall at Moss Glenn opened for business in September 1956.

In 1972 a sixteen foot addition was built. This became the new entrance to the main hall, converting the old entrance into a coatroom. In July 1990 a deck was constructed on the ball field side of the branch. A major renovation to the hall took place in 1994, with the construction of a new front entrance and addition to the front of the building.

In November 1975, the Memorial Cenotaph was moved from its original site at MacDonald Consolidated School in Kingston to the Legion grounds. This monument was originally erected at the school in 1949 by the Legion.

In 1999 Peninsula Branch 62 was proud to act as the sponsoring body to re-establishing the Army Cadet Corps today known as 140 Peninsula RCACC.

Our cenetoph holds the name of fallen comrades from the Kingston Peninsula that gave the ultimate sacrifice in service for this country.

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St. Martins Branch #63

St. Martins Branch received their Charter on October 10, 1946. The membership of the Branch is 41.

The Branch is very active and involved with many community projects. The Branch is the sponsor of the local Army Cadet Corp. The Branch has in all ways possible assisted Veterans and their dependents.

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Sussex Branch # 20

The original charter was awarded in 1928 under the name of Kings County Legion, Branch 20, BESL, with 15 charter members.

Originally, the meetings were held at the old armouries and Heber J. Cripps was the first President.

With the outbreak of World War II, a temporary home was found at Jeffries Tobacco Shop and Pool Hall on Broad St, upstairs in the Strand Theatre.

In 1941, the Branch moved back to the armouries and in 1947, Branch 20 purchased an army hut from Camp Sussex and moved it to a Queen Street location. The Legion finally had its own quarters and it became known as the "Legion Hut".

At the end of World War II, and the return of many veterans, membership increased rapidly and the need for larger quarters became apparent. Also, at this time, branch members realized that the Town was in dire need of a new rink and decided that both problems could be solved at once - by purchasing and moving two drills halls from Camp Sussex to a new location not far from the legion hut. These new quarters were opened in 1949 and this building was known as the Kings County Stadium and continued to be Branch headquarters until 1970.

In the late sixties, it was obvious to the membership new quarters were required. After a lot of hard work and commitment by the dedicated members of Branch #20 our present building was ready for the New Year's dance in 1970, and the first branch meeting in January 1971.

In 1972, increased membership and activities made the necessity of an expansion obvious. The present building has served us well with no major repairs or maintenance until general overall was done in 1995. It included a new roof, insulation and siding, heating and air conditioning and many other improvements.

Branch #20 continues to be very active. This is due solely to the dedication and hard work of our branch members and auxiliary.

A very important part of Branch #20 has been the involvement of our Ladies Auxiliary who received their charter in 1933. The ladies have always worked for and supported the branch in all of our endeavours.



History of the Auxiliary

The first organizational meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary Sussex Branch # 20 was held on Nov. 11, 1932 with nine members attending.

By February 1933, the group had almost doubled its membership by adding eight new members. Shortly after the Second World War ended, the Auxiliary grew dramatically, with a list of new members joining almost monthly for the next several years.

The Auxiliary has helped out the Branch in various ways over the years, and has looked after several veterans as well. We will continue to do so in the years to come.

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Dr. Collins TVS Branch #1

Dr. Collins TVS Branch received their Charter on December 20, 1926. The current membership of the Branch is 30.

When the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League was formed in 1926 the Tuberculous Veterans Section were given "special status" under "The Act of Incorporation". All ordinary members of the TVS Branch # 1 are "Tuberculous or chest disabled" Veterans.

Members of TVS Branch may hold "dual" membership in another Branch also.

Carleton Branch # 2

Carleton Branch, the oldest Branch in New Brunswick, received their charter on December 23, 1926. The year 2001 marked the 75th Anniversary of the Branch.

The first meetings of the Branch took place in the Carleton Curling Rink and Executive meetings were held in the offices of Colwell's Fuel Company. Meetings were later held on the upper floors of the Carleton Community Center. In January of 1971 the Branch officially opened their new facilities at 290 Ludlow Street West.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their charter on February 15, 1928.

The second Dominion Convention was hosted by Carleton Branch #2 in May of 1928. Convention headquarters were at the Admiral Beatty Hotel on Kings Square.

Current membership of the Branch is 597.

Both the Branch and the Ladies Auxiliary fulfill their obligations to Veterans and their families.

The Branch has many member participation sports including, darts, pool, shuffleboard, bowling, and putting.



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Jervis Bay Memorial Branch #53

The Jervis Bay Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion received their Charter on June 5, 1946. The name of the Branch at that time was Simonds Branch # 53.

On December 2, 1966 the Branch received their new charter under the current name of Jervis Bay Memorial Branch #53. The Branch is named in honour of the HMS Jervis Bay, a famous Armed Merchant Cruiser who so bravely protected a convoy while under heavy gunfire from a German Battleship.

The HMS Jervis Bay had undergone a major "refit" at the Saint John Shipyard, adjacent to the current Branch location shortly before she was sunk defending her convoy. Captain Forgarty Fegan was awarded the Victoria Cross for his heroic efforts in saving the Convoy.

Current membership of the Branch is 394. The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on July 13, 1950.

Portland Branch #64

Portland Branch received their Charter on December 30, 1946. Current membership of the Branch is 176.

Portland Branch # 64 is one of the Branches in New Brunswick that does not have a liquor licence. Their revenue is generated from catering by their Ladies Auxiliary and from Bingo.

The Branch is very supportive of their community by making monetary donations to various churches, groups & organizations.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on June 2, 1948.

Fundy Branch #68

The Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League was formed in 1926. However, it was not until after World War II that there were sufficient Ex servicewomen in any location to form a Branch of their own. It was in 1941 the that the Navy, Army and Air Force formed Women's Services or Divisions in Canada and for the remainder of the war years service men and women worked side by side at home and abroad. Having thus served in war, why not in peace?

Our counterparts in the British Services, WRNS, ATS and WAAFS are also members of this Branch.

With the desire to serve uppermost in the minds of these women who had volunteered to serve during the war years, a group of Ex servicewomen from the Saint John area, got together in the late fall of 1945 and early winter of 1946 and explored the idea of forming an Ex servicewomen's Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion, SS.E.S.L. At that time there was no all-female Branch and no pattern to fall back on, except that of the male Branches. Having met all qualifications for a Branch, early in 1947 the Charter was obtained and a full fledged Branch, with the same rights and privileges together with the same rights and privileges together with the same obligations as the men's Branches, was formed. This Branch is known as Fundy Branch #68, the 68th Branch to be formed in the Province of New Brunswick, and the first all-female Branch in the Maritime Provinces.

It is with a feeling of great pride that today we call ourselves Ex servicewomen. There is that spirit of togetherness that only people in the services seem to have, that feeling of patriotism and adventure shared, and of a job well done. Let us hope we may never depart from this feeling.

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Fundy Branch #68...Continued

Past President Almeda (Chestnut) McLeod served for two years, 1967-1968. It was in this time frame that "The Men's Auxiliary" was born, when Comrade Malcolm Heckbert suggested that Branch #68 adopt the idea to raise funds for our Benevolent Fund, as they say "The Rest Is History". Funds were to be used for the mentally challenged adults who at that time were living in situations that provided workshops. A local school had a special class. The fund helped the students with outside activities, after a few years these folks were moved in the community, bused to other workshops and some were working in businesses to help support themselves and at other times went to workshops to learn other skills.

The Men's Auxiliary grew to a total of 900 world wide, we sent cards with Christmas Cards, we carried cards with us while attending Legion activities and a small change purse to keep the dues separate. In 1981 postage and paper were getting expensive, at our Charter night in 1981 Comrade Blair Dickson made a motion that due should be

raised to \$2.00 to help off set the cost of mailing cards to members outside of Saint John. This proved to be an unwise choice; membership dropped to 300, in March of 1982 the dues were lowered to \$1.00, membership has been sporadic since.

We are not sure how much longer the Men's Auxiliary will be active, but it has been a great experience and we would like to "Thank" all of our Auxiliary Members.



Lancaster Branch # 69

In November 1946, a group of Veterans met in the Orange Hall to discuss formation of a branch of The Royal Canadian Legion. The first meeting of Lancaster Br #69 was held on January 15th, 1947 with the first President, A. C. Shaw presiding. Mr. A. J. Anglin, Provincial President, addressed the meeting.

The Original Members at the meeting were: W.R. Byers, J.L.J. Clark; S. K. Cougle; J.G. Green; J. F. Henderson; A. R. Johns; R. S. McConnell; F. A. McMaster; R.F. Nelson; A.C. Shaw; G. A. Snodgrass; R. L. Spragg; S. C. Tippett; R.A. Waring and L. R. Whittaker.

In 1959, it was decided to renovate and enlarge the Legion Hall and plans were drawn up. When Mr. George Chittick, a friend of the Branch, decided we should build a new building and he would supply a certain amount of the needed steel for the structure. Accordingly, plans were drawn up and Mr. Chittick donated the land for the new building. Sod was turned in June 1961, and the new building was officially opened in June 1963. In June 2003, the Branch celebrated its 40th Anniversary at which time we had a re-enactment of the official opening with the son

of the Branch President in 1963 and the son of the Mayor of the City of Lancaster in 1963 take their place and cut the ribbon again for our Branch.

Thanks to our membership, then quite small, we gathered pictures, badges and other war mementos to cover our walls and make the place more homey. Over the years, changes were made to reflect the needs of the growing membership that now stands at over 800 - a far cry from the mere 50 or so who made it all possible.

Today the Branch remains a vital force in the community, providing scholarships, assisting youth, sports, and until 2003 provided a wheelchair van for the disabled persons in the community.





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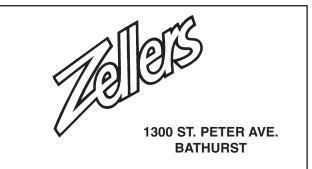
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Blacks Harbour Branch # 39

RCL Branch #39 was formed by a group of interested WW1 veterans in 1944. The first meetings were held in the then Blacks Harbour Town Hall. There have been two moves since then. Our present location has been our home since the early 1970s. Most of our members come from the Blacks Harbour, Beaver Harbour and Pennfield areas.

In the past, we were active with Saturday night dances, curling, darts, horseshoe tournaments, bingo and kids picnics.

Our cenotaph, which honours the 17 local men who sacrificed their lives for freedom during the two World Wars and the Korean conflict, was a 1986 Ladies' Auxillary project. These dedicated ladies also catered events, attended district, provincial and national conventions and helped to look out for the needs of our community's veterans. Unfortunately, the group disbanded in 2002.

Time has changed the composition but certainly not the purpose of our branch. We presently have 120 members. Darts and bingo are our main activities. We also promote a youth dart league and sponsor students for the Youth Leadership Camp and track and field competitions. Local schools participate in the Remembrance Day poster, poetry and essay contests, and we offer a post-secondary bursary to a deserving local high school graduating student who is related to a member.

As with other Branches across Canada, Branch #39 has always been a committed organization supporting our veterans, their families and charitable events. Monthly meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. We always welcome members from other branches at our meetings.

Branch # 39 Past Presidents

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Branch # 39 Ladies Auxiliary Past Presidents

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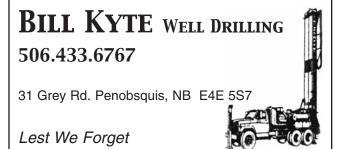
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Quite a round-about way to get to a Canadian Legion Branch but the drive is well worth it; beautiful scenery, and the hospitality at the Branch is second to none.

The current membership of the Branch is 19.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on July 22, 1963.

Grand Manan Branch # 44

Grand Manan Branch received their Charter on July 12, 1945. The Branch is located on the Island of Grand Manan and you must take a ferry to get there.

A beautiful drive and ferry ride. A tour of the island while there is a must.

The current membership of the Branch is 82.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on January 27, 1969.

McAdam Branch #7

McAdam Branch #7 was granted their Charter on November 25, 1926. The current membership of the Branch is 99.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on November 17, 1927.

Milltown Branch #48

Milltown Branch received their Charter on August 28, 1946. The Branch membership is currently 176.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on the same date.

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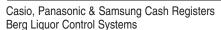
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Passamaquoddy Branch #8

Passamaquoddy Branch received their Charter on October 12, 1926; the current membership of the Branch is 99.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on April 11, 1947.

St. Croix Branch # 9

St. Croix Branch # 9, Royal Canadian Legion is located in St. Stephen, NB and had its beginning in 1917. On August 2, 1917, veterans who had returned home held a meeting in the Border Club Rooms for the purpose of forming a Great War Veterans Association.

In the beginning the Great War Veterans Association membership comprised of all veterans within Charlotte County. It was sometime later that individual Branches began to be formed in many parts of Charlotte County.

Early in 1923, consideration was given to erecting a suitable memorial for those who paid the supreme sacrifice. Mr. A.D. Ganong was Chairman of the Committee. The Committee selected the design of Miss Frances Loring, Toronto. (Picture enclosed). The memorial was dedicated on June 20, 1926. Comrade William Metcalf, Victoria Cross, unveiled the monument. Comrade Metcalf came from Waite, Maine, a small Township above Princeton, Maine. Following World War II a second section was placed on the monument listing the names of those who paid the supreme sacrifice and in the 1950's a third section remembering the Korean Conflict.

Following World War II the membership increased and the branch began to look for new quarters. A building at the Pennfield Air Force Base was available and was purchased for \$1,000.00. The building was dismantled and moved to St. Stephen. The next question was to acquire a site. The Town Council offered to lease a portion of the Whitlock property on Queen Street for \$1.00 per year on a year-to-year lease.

The women who served in the Armed Services in World War II became members of St. Croix Branch # 9 in 1947.

St. Croix Branch # 9 continues to be very active in the community and is very supportive of the welfare of the veterans, various charities, school activities, youth sport teams and bursaries.

There were 87 from St. Stephen and surrounding area who died in World War I and 76 in World War II.

From 1917 to the present, 74 members have served as President of the Branch.

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St. Croix Branch # 9 - Senior & Junior Ladies Auxiliary

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In 1916, the Senior Ladies Auxiliary of St. Croix Branch # 9, Royal Canadian Legion started out as the Women's Permanent Recruiting Committee, with Mrs. Maude Vesey as President. In 1917 the name changed to the Woman's Patriotic Association.

The main object was to help "returned soldiers" and to do what was possible for them and to show appreciation of the sacrifices they had made, to assist not "the boys over there" but the "boys back here". The ladies decided that as long as there were Veterans of the First World War and ladies to serve them, they would give them a dinner and serve the same menu as the original one, a full-course turkey dinner followed by cream pie.

On April 1, 1920, the Great War Veterans Association issued an invitation to the Women's Patriotic Association to become the Ladies Auxiliary to their Association. In June 1926 the GWVA became the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League and the Auxiliary became known as the Auxiliary of the B.E.S.L. In 1960, The Royal Canadian Legion came into being, so the Auxiliary became an Auxiliary of The Royal Canadian Legion. After they became the Auxiliary of the B.E.S.L. their Charter was dated February 8, 1946 after the Junior Auxiliary was formed.

The Junior Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on May 17, 1948.

St. Croix Branch # 9 was the only Legion in Canada to have a Senior and Junior Ladies Auxiliary. The Senior Ladies Auxiliary continued to serve the Veterans of World War I until some time in the 1980s when they decided to join the Junior Ladies Auxiliary for the Veteran's dinner as there were very few veterans of World War I still living. The Senior Ladies Auxiliary surrendered their Charter in 1986. Some joined the Junior Ladies Auxiliary.

The Junior Ladies Auxiliary continues to serve the veterans and is always busy catering to dinners, wedding receptions and other events. The proceeds from these events are used to carry on the work of the Auxiliary, provide bursaries and make sizeable donations to The Legion each year. The Auxiliary still serve the menu of the original dinner.

There have been 37 Presidents of the Senior Ladies Auxiliary since its inception and 32 Presidents of the Junior Ladies Auxiliary to date.



St. George Branch received their Charter on November 24, 1944; membership at the Branch is currently 105.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on August 30, 1945.



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Arthurette Branch # 85

Arthurette Branch # 85 started out as an outpost that started in 1946-1952. The present hall was built in the summer of 1965. It only consisted of the downstairs. The rest was finished the next year. We are a small Branch nestled in between Perth-Andover and Plaster Rock. Our Legion is very community oriented, with it being the only hall in the area. With being such a small branch we are very proud to have had 3 of our members hold the office of District Commander for the Upper Valley District.

With our veterans becoming less and less, we rely a lot on our younger members. These members have dedicated themselves to holding the branch together for the memory of those who have laid down their lives and for those veterans still with us.

We are hoping to survive and keep the memories flowing for a long time to come.

Below is a list of our Past Presidents of the Legion and Auxiliary.

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T. Sullivan 1 yr

Legion Presidents

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2 yrs H. Campbell 1 yr
n 3 yrs H. Wright 2 yrs
1 yr M. Stevenson 2 yrs
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Centerville Branch #84

Centerville Branch #84 received their Charter on July 23, 1951. The Branch membership at this time is 52. The Ladies Auxiliary received their charter on July 10, 1953.

Edmundston Branch # 25

Branch 25 was formed in 1931 and the Ladies' Auxiliary in 1945 and over the years we have fulfilled all our duties as a Branch and have met our commitments to Provincial Command. We have also been very much involved in various activities throughout the community and have supported numerous charitable events when called upon to do so. We have hosted Provincial Conventions in 1942, 1951, 1961, 1971, 1991 and these events were considered to be very

Our commitment is to support the veterans, their dependents and the youth of our community. The veterans will pass

the torch to the youth of today	who will be the Legionnaires of	of tomorrow.	1
Branch 25 Past Presidents:	*Deceased	Ladies' Auxiliary:	
* D. D. Bishop	1931-32-34-35	* Lilly Reith	1945-46-47
* R. R. Richard	1936-37-38-39	* Mary Cyr	1948-49
* Walter Clarke	1940-41	* Edith Kelly	1952-53
* C. C. Atkinson	1942-43	* Kate McDermott	1954-55-56-58
* J. S. Wetmore	1944	* Freeda D'Amours	1957
* J. A. Godbout	1945	* Pat Jessop	1959
* Frank C. Miller	1946	Ethel Hoyt	1960-61-80-81
* Edgar P. Cyr	1947-48	Eileen Picard	1962-63-68
* Paul F. Kierstead	1949	* Lucy Brewer	1964-65
* J. C. Whitehouse	1949-50	* Daisy Michaud	1966-67-69-70
* R. V. McCabe	1951-52	Ann Beshley	1971-72-73-74-78
Levio J. Theriault	1953	Anne Couturier	1979
E. T. Tweedie	1954-55-61	* Kilda McKinley	1975-76-77-82-91
Darius J. Albert	1956	Margaret Birnie	1986
* Bruce W. Hicks	1957-58	Beatrice Johnson	1989
* J. Robert Jessop	1959	Juanita Chamberland	1995
* Mario Albert	1960	Georgette Nadeau	1983-84-85-87-88
* J. L. Adrien Pelletier	1962-63-64		1990-92-93-94-96
* Placide L. Alvernini	1965-66		1998-99-2000
Willie A. Michaud	1967-68	Lisette G. Dube	1997-2002-2003
Lionel Gagne	1969-70	Linda Therrien	2001
* Maurice R. Fournier	1971		
* Lloyd J. Frenette	1972		
* Armand Daigle	1973-74-75-76-81-82		
* Gerard Belanger	1977-78	Branch 25 has been blesse	d by many dedicated
Leopold R. Michaud	1979-80-84-85-86-87-88	members and we appreciated	all those who served as
* Albert Johnson	1983	presidents of both The Leg	
Ronald H. Dube	1989-90-91	Auxiliary.	-

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Florenceville Branch #37

Our Legion was established in 1938. In 1966 a new building was built as the Provincial Government purchased the land and building. The new building was built on the opposite side of the river.

Since that time our branch has continued to help many veterans and their families in the surrounding area.

Unfortunately, our Ladies Auxiliary gave up their Charter in May of 2001. These Ladies are greatly missed. We can never thank them enough for all that they have done. Their hard work is very much appreciated.

Our Branch is now in the process of building a new building, the Provincial Government has once again purchased our property. The new building should be open in the Spring of 2004.

We would like to thank all of our volunteer members in the past and the present who have helped us over the years. Hopefully we will be able to carry on with our Veterans and families.

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W. Giberson (2 years)	G. H. Lee (2 years)	D. Clark
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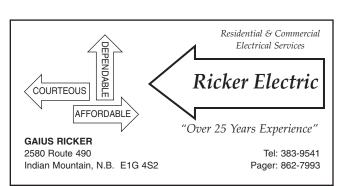




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The Grand Falls Branch received its charter in 1929, when it was then known as the British Empire Service League and the Ladies Auxiliary received its charter in 1946. The present branch building is located on Broadway Boulevard, just a short walk from the falls. Branch 21 has always had a keen interest in youth and community. The Branch has a core of dedicated and hard-working members who have endeavoured to promote Legion activities such as service to veterans and their dependants, remembrance of the fallen, service to youth and service to the community. Among other things, the Branch sponsors the local Royal Canadian Air Cadet Corps and provides scholarships to the local high schools. Since the Branch's early years, it has enjoyed the valuable and loyal support of the Ladies Auxiliary.

We continue to participate in community activities and Legion ceremonial events and never lose sight of our obligation to preserve the memory of those who fought and died for this great country.

We have seen good times and now like most small branches, we are seeing hard times. With the hard work of past and present Legion and Auxiliary Executives and various committees, hopefully we will survive (if the insurance companies don't get us first!).

Branch 21 Executive - 2002-2003



Front L- R: Roy Bourgoine 1st Vice, Lena Levesque President, Michael Vaillancourt (Past President)

Back row - Shirley Nielsen, Lloyd Rafuse, Patrick Rioux, Henry Beaupré, Shirley Dubé, Herluf Jensen, Gerard Cassista Missing: Kimberley McNabb & Sean Walsh

1983 to 85

PAST PRESIDENTS

Grace McCluskey

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William Hooser	1929	Romeo Turcotte	1967	Robert Laforest	1983
Hubert Mulherin	1946-47	Gerald Goodine	1968	George O Regan	1984
Jack Smith	1948-49	Damien Rossignol	1969-71	David Kertson	1985
George Dexter	1950-51	Ulric Bard	1972	Robert Grondin	1986-87
Gérard Clavette	1952-53	Levite Paradis	1973	Gregory Mulherin	1988
Evérard Levesque	1953	Romeo Levesque	1974	David Kerton	1989-90
Harold McLaughlin	1954–56	Robert Grondin	1975-76	Della Johansen	1991 -93
Bernard Baker	1957-58	Levite Paradis	1977-78	Alyre Rioux	1994-96
Harold McLaughlin	1959	Noé Turcotte	1978	Reo Desjardins	1997
Reid Paradis	1960	Robert Grondin	1979	Gregory Mulherin	1998
Robert Laforest	1961	Noé Torcotte	1980	Della Johansen	1999
Alfred Bellefleur	1962-63	Phil Légere	1981	Michael Vaillancourt	2000
Lawrence Bérubé	1964	Albéo Lagacé	1982	Lena Levesque	2001-03
Lloyd McCleod	1965-66				
LADIES AUXILIARY					
Louise Tait	1946	Shirley Rioux	1962-63	Bernadette Mazeroll	e1986
Lena Bérubé	1946	Patricia Rioux	1964	Irene Pelletier	1987-88
Irene Kertson	1947	Della Johansen	1965 to 67	Simone Laforest	1989-90
Rosie Jensen	1948 to 52	Dawn Sorensen	1968 to 70	Shirley Nielsen	1991 to 93
Betty McLaughlin	1953	Martine Michaud	1971	Elva Rioux	1994-95
Barbara Turcotte	1954-55	Irene Pelletier	1972 to 78	Bernadette Mazeroll	e1996-97
June Smith-Bertelsen	1956-57	Patricia Rioux	1979	Shirley Nielsen	1998 to 2001
Barbara Turcotte	1958	Betty Poitras	1980	Della Johansen	2002-03
Irene Pelletier	1959-60	Dawn Sorensen	1981-82	Gertrude Poitras	1961

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Ladies Auxiliary - 2002-2003



Front row - Laurence Lagacé (Sgt-at-arms) Shirley Nielsen (Past President), Bernadette Mazerolle (Secretary)

Back row - Melina Levesque, Clémence Levesque, Genevieve Rossignol, Nelida Rogers

Missing: Della Johansen (President) Grace McCluskey, Sadie Kelly, Patsy Jensen, Patricia Rogers, Nelida Rogers, Lillian Davenport



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The first meeting was called to order on November 11th, 1930, with 19 returned men present. The purpose of this meeting was to form a local branch of B.E.S.L. under acting secretary T.J. MacDonald. At that time they didn't have enough information to start; they needed to get more information from Provincial Council. This did not stop these men from applying for membership. Some were recorded as early as November 1930. They knew they were going to have a local branch of the B.E.S.L. and also elected their first slate of officers.

President Col. Melville, 1st Vice President W.B. Nixon; Secretary-Treasurer G.M. Our charter was received on the 15th of December 1930. These minutes showed that these Comrades had objectives and goals to help their fellow Comrades and their dependants.

Starting some 73 years ago their meetings were held monthly; the same holds true today. Membership was a big focus. A membership drive was held on September 18, 1931 and refreshments were to be required. A committee was set up and all men returning home were invited to the meeting. The same holds true today; membership drives are still required. Small poppies were purchased; 300 for \$10.50 and sales recorded in the minutes are as follows: November 21st, 1931: Hartland \$21.50; Bath \$8.75; Florenceville \$12.00. Today holds the same, as we are going into our Poppy campaign; prices have changed but the meaning has not.

Today with the membership of 210, the spirit of comradeship which was passed on by our dearly departed still holds the same. As the current President for 2003, I have to say what is in my heart; "they shall grown not old as we are left grown old, age shall not weary them nor the years condemn as the going down of the sun and in the morning I will remember them".

This shows that in the beginning this Branch had a big heart, the same holds true today; passed on over the decades and still continuing with the same purposes and obligations of this great organization. Why not join - give some time and service for those who gave their ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. Its time for the younger generations to get off their butts and carry the torch to the future. They have passed it to us - don't let them down.

Today we are still very active in our Poppy campaign, Veterans and their dependents, community youth and senior programs. It takes a lot of hard work to continue the great work they have passed down but we can do it.

In the 50's, volunteers built the Branch. Still today, with the current renovations of the building, volunteers still raise funds. In1952, it was decided that the hall was to be rented to the public at the discretion of the Executive. This is still the same today and is a major part of our income.

In 1935, the Ladies Auxiliary was formed. Their support to the Veterans and their dependants was given without question. Without the Ladies Auxiliary, a great part of the B.E.S.L. and our local Branch would not be what it is today. Over the 68 years since their formation, the Ladies Auxiliary has been the most rewarding part of our Branch; they give financially as well as physically. Even though their members are declining; with a membership of 20 regular and 6 life members they are still very active and the Officers are as follows: President, Betty Wheeler; Past President, Alma MacKenzie; 1st vice President and Sgt. At Arms Barb Foster; 2^{nd} Vice President, Anna Fairgrieve; Secretary-Treasurer Shirley Coughlin; Executive - Jeannett Shannon, Phyllis Robinson (also Upper Valley Councilor); Alma MacKenzie.

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We have had 45 Past Presidents, and myself as the current President, for a total of 46 Presidents in the history of 73 years as Branch 24 Hartland.

Our current Officers are as follows: Honorary President, Ralph Shaw; Past President, Cecil B. Shaw; President, Helen Billings; 1st Vice President, Stewart Fairgrieve; 2nd Vice, Cecil Rideout; Padre - Sung Min Jung; Sgt-At-Arms, Rick Gervais; Secretary Carla Orser; Treasurer, Allan Nesbitt; Executive, Ivan Murray; Larry Mayhew, Alton Shaw, Shelley McNally and Tim Varney.

We, the current Officers have the same objectives and purposes of this great organization as the first slate of Officers 73 years ago.

Hope to see you. Come visit the little Branch with the big heart! Everyone is welcome at Branch #24 Hartland.

In Memoriam To all Veterans, Comrades - Past and Present — We Will Remember Them.

Marble Arch Branch # 29

Marble Arch (New Brunswick No 29) Branch (originally known as the Veterans Club) in Plaster Rock was chartered on June 5, 1934 to be a Branch of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League. The charter members were all WW 1 veterans and a "who's who" of Plaster Rock and surrounding area.

Between 1934 and 1945, meetings were held in private homes. On 30 January, 1945, Fraser Companies Ltd. graciously conveyed a parcel of land and granted a "Declaration of Trust" and a deed to the trustees and their successors of Marble Arch Branch #29 to land presently located at 61 Orange St. in Plaster Rock. A Legion hall was subsequently constructed for the use of Branch members and their guests and was to be used, occupied and enjoyed until such time as the Branch fails to continue, at which time the "trustees" will reconvey the lands to Fraser Companies Ltd.

On October 9, 1929, a "Board of Trustees", namely Donald Fraser, Gordon Brown, Charles Brown, David Aiton, Bertram Marsten, George Lovelock and HF Henderson(originally known as the Plaster Rock Soldiers Memorial Board), and their successors, was (for the sum of \$1.00) authorized to "hold" a parcel of land on which a memorial was to be erected to those residents of the village of Plaster Rock and vicinity who gave their lives while on active service during the Great War(WW 1). That parcel of land is where the cenotaph is now located and contains the names of those residents who gave their lives during WW1 and WW2.

Charter Members:

Harry Brewer Victor Brown Gordon Brown Frank McEntee Harry Brown
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1939	Harry Brewer	1969/70	G Sullivan
1940	G Colbourne	1971/72	Fred Comeau
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The Auxiliary was granted their charter on February 28, 1936 and unfortunately had to surrender their charter in October, 1999.

Charter Member

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1946	Edith Nicholson & Greta MacKay	1976	Doris Lloyd
1947	Mary Giberson	1977	Bertha Williams
1948	Freda Taylor & Eunice Colbourne	1949	Etta Barry
1978/79	Nan Rioux	1950	Clare McDonald
1980/81	Nan Rioux	1951	Eileen Giberson & Thelma Harrison
1982/83/84	Bertha Williams	1952	Thelma Harrison
1985	Kate Feero	1953	Etta Barry
1986/87	Eva Brown	1954	Mary Stone
1988	Nan Rioux	1955	Olive Barry
1989/90	Susan Jenkins	1956	Kate Feero
1991	Susan Jenkins/Nan Rioux	1957	Katie Cuffley
1992/93/94	Janey Wright	1958	Cathie Elliott
1995/96	Kate Feero	1959	Erma Green
1997	Nan Rioux		
1998/99	Janey Wright		





Perth Andover Branch #36

Though humbly born in the Depression year of 1937, Perth-Andover Branch #36 of The Royal Canadian Legion soon showed a saucy streak. The new Branch didn't even have a rented room to call its own, much less a clubhouse, so the charter members met in Stephen G. Mooney's Law Office in the Registry Building.

The Branch acquired a home when Ed Armstrong donated a small, unused Baptist Church where the Golden Steak house is now located.

Branch 36 managed to host a provincial convention of The Legion sometime between 1937 and 1940. The Charter Members were nearly all World War I veterans but included a few old-timers who had fought in the Boer War.

During the 1960's membership almost doubled to 200 due to the admission of Associate Members and Fraternal Affiliates.

In 1983, the Branch opened Legion House, a development of eight new low-rent apartments for Veterans and Veterans' widows, for which it took the initiative and total responsibility excepting the capital cost of construction.

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The handsome Cenotaph on Perth's Main Street, honoring local men and women who died in the two world wars and the Korean war, was erected in 1958.

The Legion's accomplishments in fostering sports and recreation by no means exhaust its record of community service in Perth-Andover. It has long standing policies of financing youth training and scholarships, of lending its premises to other non-profit organizations and of supporting charitable causes.

For more than 30 years The Legion has sponsored the local Air Cadet squadron. The Legion has been promoting track and field in Perth-Andover since the early 1950's.

The Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter in 1947. The Auxiliary has not only provided solid support of Legion activities but has also initiated its own programs of service to Veterans.





St. Leonard Branch #52

Histoire de la Légion Royale Canadienne Br 52 de St-Léonard.

La Légion Royale Canadienne Branche 52 de St. Léonard Ville vit le jour au cours de l'année 1946. La charte fut signée le 28 mai 1946 par C. B. Price, président du Dominion Command.

Après la guerre, les vétérans ressenttaient le besoin de se rencontrer pour échanger, s'entraider, se soutenir et s'amuser. Plusieurs se joignirent à la Légion d'Edmundston, mais rêvaient d'un lieu de rencontre situé pres d'eux. En 1946, un groupe de bénévoles construisirent un premier édifice. De 1946 a 1952, la Légion Canadienne fut connue sous le nom de "British Empire Service Legion." C'est en 1976/77 que fut contruit l'édifice actuel comprenant une salle de danse, un bar, un club de curling, une cuisine et une salle de réception. En 2001, l'édifice fut vendu. Le nouveau propriétaire depuis, permet à la branche 52 d'occuper les lieux sans location ni de loyer. À chaque année, les membres de la Légion Canadienne rendent homage à leurs parents et amis morts à la guerre, au cours des cérémonies commémoratives du 11 novembre. 31 personnes de St. Leonard et ses environs participèrent à la guerre de 1914/18 et 164 participèrent à la guerre 1939/45.

C'est au printemps de 1955 que les dames auxiliaires de la Branche 52 fut formée.Un cénotaphe fut érigé en 1958 en mémoire de nos soldats mort à la guerre.







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St. Quentin Branch # 65

Saint Quentin Legion Branch # 65 received their Charter January 27, 1947 when several veterans got together and formed this Legion Branch. Some of these members are still with the Branch.

A small building was rented in the then Village of Saint Quentin. Veterans from the communities of Saint Quentin, Kedgwick, St. Martin and St. Jean Batiste joined to form this Branch, this gave a membership of approximately 60.

Comrade Leopold Roy was the first Branch President; Placide Caron was Secretary and Thomas Levesque was Sgt. At Arms.

Later a building was purchased; this building was destroyed by fire. As sufficient funds were not available to replace the building, the Branch ceased to function. For a period of twenty some years members paid their dues and protected their Charter.

The loss of the building was partially covered by insurance. It was decided that the funds would be donated to the Library and the Volunteer Fire Department. We are still without a locale, however we are able to use the Fire Hall in Saint Quentin.

For many years the Branch was a sponsor of the Army Cadet Corp in our area, again we no longer have these cadets. The Branch is very inactive these days with the exception of attending funerals and participating in the Poppy Campaign and Armistice Day Services.

The Branch has 45 members and we are struggling to keep things going, however we are making every effort to keep the Branch alive.

Woodstock Branch # 11

Woodstock Branch 11 received their Charter November 25, 1926 with the following names inscribed thereon: In the early days meetings were held in the Armoury with the current building being erected in 1950.

John Jarvis Bull Herbert Faulkner
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The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on June 6, 1928 with 15 members.

The Branch has grown from 10 members to over 400 at the present. According to records the First Provincial Convention was held here in 1932 with 35 registered delegates. We have had two Provincial Command Presidents from our Branch: Hugh M. Tait, 1951-1953 and Ejnar F. Hansen, 1977-1978.

In 1961, the Branch opened the Veteran's Home on Chapel Street and it is still in operation today.

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Bouctouche Branch #43

Bouctouche Branch 43 received their Charter on December 7, 1945. At the present time they have a membership of 63 and we are still active in helping to take care of our veterans in need.

As our veterans are getting on in age, we decided to upgrade our cenotaph as we thought that this would be the best way for them to be remembered by the community and for what they did.

Our Branch meets regularly every Wednesday afternoon with the first Wednesday of the month as our regular monthly meeting.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on July 10, 1971.

Cap Pele Branch #91

Cap Pele Branch #91 received their Charter on June 14, 1961; the membership of the Branch is presently 85.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter on July 20, 1961.

Cape Tormentine Branch #81

Cape Tormentine Branch #81 received their Charter on July 6, 1949; the current Branch Membership is 47.

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Dorchester Branch #16

Dorchester Branch received their Charter on March 1, 1927. The Branch membership stands at 46.

The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter December 17, 1927.

Hillsborough Branch #32

Hillsborough Branch #32 received their Charter on January 15, 1935. Membership of the Branch is 173.

Memramcook Branch # 89

Memramcook Branch received its charter in December, 1956. Three years later in September, 1959, the Ladies Auxiliary was presented with their charter. The branch held a grand opening in June, 1963.

In 1993, the branch was sold to Rudy LeBlanc, Edgar Leblanc and Greg O'Donnell. The building was sold again in 2000 to Mr. Cormier.

The branch currently has a room that they use for meetings and functions in the Knights of Columbus Building in Memramcook East.

Moncton Branch #6

A Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion was established in Moncton in 1926 with original headquarters in the City Hall building and later at the corner of Arichibald and Main Streets. In 1941, the Legion Hut was constructed near the old library; the building was used by servicemen from all over the world.

The Memorial Building on Botsford Street was opened in May, 1950. This area had been a pleasant residential ground in years past with a large house at the back of the property next to the railway tracks. The first sod was turned on August 17, 1949 and Barbara Ann Scott cut the ribbon to open the new building assisted by Hon. Milton Gregg, V.C., Minister of Veterans Affairs.

Hon. D. L. MacLaren, Lt. Governor unveiled the two plaques on the outside of the building. In 1999, due to a decline in membership and the aging of our veterans, it was decided to sell this building and seek smaller quarters.

Fortunately, with the help of the Hon. Claudette Bradshaw MP, we were able to acquire our present building, the former Moncton Garrison Officers Mess.

Moncton Branch is the second largest branch in New Brunswick and was the first to erect a Senior Citizens Veterans Home.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Branch received their Charter in 1944 and continues to support the branch.

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Petiteodiae Branch #41

This Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion was formed at the Federal level by the joining of several Veterans' Organizations. During WWI, the people of Petitcodiac raised funds to construct a Soldier's Memorial Hall to honor the returning veterans from this area. This was completed in 1922. During WWII, it fell into disuse and was badly in need of repair.

At this time the nearest branch of The Royal Canadian Legion was located in Salisbury. A number of WWII vets who belonged to the Salisbury Branch decided to start a Branch in Peticodiac. The old Memorial Hall was used for Branch Quarters after many repairs were made. The Branch received their Charter on June 9, 1945. Soon the returning WWII vets swelled the ranks and a very active branch came into being. In 1964, the former Howatts Store was purchased and remodeled to become our Branch quarters.

The Branch was remodeled in 1992 and an addition was built which now serves as the Banquet Room and downstairs we have the Dart Room and new quarters for the Air Cadet Squadron. The third floor was remodeled and is now the Peticodiac War Museum and holds over 5,000 items.

At the present time the Branch has a membership of 167.

Our Ladies Auxiliary has grown older and with fewer members fundraising is now done by both Auxiliary and Legion members. Our busy season is in the fall with many banquets, wedding and Christmas parties.

Many local charities make use of the Branch.

Branch #41 has had a proud past, a wonderful present, and we are looking forward to a challenging future.

Sackville Branch # 26

On November 19, 1931, several Ex-Service men from Sackville and the surrounding district met in Sackville for the purpose of establishing a branch of The Canadian Legion. Following the meeting, the Acting President sent a letter to the Provincial Secretary of The Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League asking, on behalf of 27 returning men, to be granted a Charter. Dues, at that time, were \$1.85 per person.

LT/ Col. L.T. Tingley, of Moncton, presented the Charter to Branch 26 on March 3, 1932.

The meetings of the Branch were held in different halls in downtown Sackville until the Branch rented a full-time facility in the Wood Block on Bridge St. in 1947.

The Wood Block location was used until 1953 when the Branch purchased the Westmorland Equipment Ltd. building at 15 Lorne Street in Sackville. This building opened as the Branch Hall on May 9, 1953. Since then it has been commonly known in Sackville as The Legion.

Ladies Auxiliary received its Charter in 1948. At that time the members of the Auxiliary assisted the Branch in conducting Veterans Hospital Tag Day, Sale of Poppies and other Veterans relief. The Ladies Auxiliary is an integral part of the Branch. Today they raise funds through catering and other fundraising activities. This enables them to make a financial contribution to the Branch each year and make repairs to the building and purchase equipment for the Branch. The Ladies Auxiliary have provided funds to the 681 Tantramar Air Cadet Squadron in Sackville. Each year a bursary is provided to two students from Tantramar Regional High School who are going on to post secondary

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education at a university. The bursary is valued at \$300.00 each. Also the Ladies Auxiliary are participating in the Adopt a Veteran program.

Since 1932 and 1948 the Sackville Branch has provided service to the veterans in the community and have been a service to the community itself. The Branch has maintained a Service Officer to help with all veterans' matters, visited sick members, organised the November 11 Remembrance Day Parade and the VE Day Parade each year.

Service to the veterans has been the prime role, but service to the community has also been important to the Branch. Over the years they have contributed to a local playground, sponsored the Bantam Hockey Teams, baseball teams, bowling teams and dart teams. They have sponsored high school students to UN Seminars at Mount Allison University and sponsored two high school students to the Youth Leadership Camp held at the University of New Brunswick.

The Branch still plays an active role in the community. Two students from Tantramar Regional High School are selected each year to attend the Youth Leadership Camp (now at Mount Allison University in Sackville). A bursary established in 1954 is presented each year to a Tantramar Regional High School student. (Now valued at \$1000.00.) The Branch is the sponsor of the 681 Tantramar Air Cadet Squadron. The Branch uses The Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Poem and Poster contests to help educate the community children and their families about the importance of Remembrance Day.

The Branch has been a vital part of the community for 71 years, and with the emphasis on volunteerism and a willing group of volunteers the Branch has been part of this community and will remain so for many years to come.

Salisbury Branch # 31

Branch #31 Salisbury was established in 1934 on Main St. in Salisbury, later moved to its present location. Approximately 15 years ago, an addition was built on the existing building. Approximately 12 years ago a seniors group (not affiliated with the legion) the Monday Morning Merrymakers was formed. Attendance on Mondays range from 50 to 75 seniors from the surrounding areas.

The Branch has an active Executive Committee of 6 senior members and 6 junior members.

This year, our branch was honored to have our 1st Vice President Patti Coates selected to represent New Brunswick on the Pilgrimage of Remembrance to Europe. Also, member Muriel Barryman (Navy) was selected to attend the 60th Anniversary of The Battle of the Atlantic in Liverpool, England.

Our Branch has sponsored the 580 Hugh Campbell Air Cadets Squadron for over 25 years. The squadron marked their 50th anniversary in June, 2003.

Shediac Branch #33

Shediac Branch #33 received their Charter on August 13, 1935. The total membership of the Branch is 89.

Sunny Brae Branch #54

Our Legion opened its doors in 1948. It is reported that meetings were held at the local Fire Hall. In December of 1982 in memory of George Melanson, we opened our new wing. It is now used mainly for Darts. Darts are played on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights. The Branch sponsors Christmas Daddies with a dart shoot the third Saturday of the month, eight months of the year. Our building has undergone several renovations in the last few years. We have no paid workers, all are volunteer. For the last several years, with rising insurance and heating costs, we have worked very hard to keep our Branch operating. The Ladies Auxiliary received their Charter in 1949. Visitors are always welcome to the Branch.

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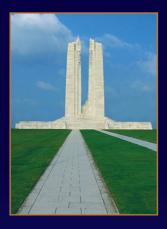
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This is the Canadian Memorial at Vimy Ridge. The land for the Memorial, as well as the surrounding 100 hectares, was given to Canada by France in 1922 in gratitude for sacrifices made by Canada in the First World War and for the victory achieved by Canadian troops in capturing Vimy Ridge in April 1917. This memorial was built by the people of Canada as a tribute to their countrymen who fought in the Great War and, particularly, to the more than 66,000 men who gave their lives.

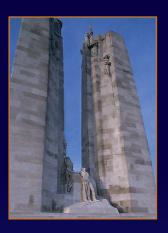
On the outside of the monument's enclosing walls you will find the names of 11,285 Canadians who were killed in France and whose final resting places are unknown. The First World War battle honours of the regiments that fought at Vimy Ridge and dedicatory inscriptions are carved on the face of the pylons.

As you stand on the monument's wide stone terrace and look out over the broad fields and rolling hills of France, you can see other places where Canadians fought and died. More than 7,000 are buried in 30 war cemeteries within a 16-kilometre radius of this spot.

Today, the memorial serves to remind us of the high price of war. It should also inspire us to work toward that lasting peace for which those commemorated here gave their lives.







COUVERTURE

Voilà le Monument commémoratif du Canada à Vimy. La terre sur laquelle est érigé le monument ainsi que les 100 hectares qui l'entourent ont été donnés au Canada par la France en 1922, en reconnaissance des sacrifices accomplis par le Canada lors de la Première Guerre mondiale et pour la victoire remportée par les troupes canadiennes lors de la bataille pour la capture de la crête de Vimy en avril 1917. Ce monument a été érigé par les Canadiens en hommage à leurs compatriotes qui ont combattu lors de la Grande Guerre et en particulier à ceux parmi eux, soit plus de 66 000, qui y ont donné leur vie.

Sur les murs ceinturant le monument sont gravés les noms des 11 285 Canadiens tués en France et qui n'ont pas de sépulture connue. Les inscriptions au drapeau pour la Première Guerre mondiale des régiments qui ont combattu à la crête de Vimy et des inscriptions dédicatoires sont gravées sur la face extérieure des pylônes.

De la grande terrasse de pierre du monument qui surplombe les vastes champs et les collines ondulantes de France, on aperçoit d'autres endroits où les Canadiens ont combattu, souvent jusqu'à la mort. Plus de 7 000 d'entre eux sont inhumés dans quelque 30 cimetières de guerre situés dans un rayon de 16 kilomètres de cet endroit.

Aujourd'hui, le monument nous rappelle le prix élevé de la guerre. Il devrait aussi nous inciter à oeuvrer en faveur de cette paix durable pour laquelle ceux dont on honore ici la mémoire ont donné leur vie.

DEDICATION

This "Commemorative Booklet" is dedicated to all those Canadians commemorated by the Vimy Ridge Memorial and to all those like them who gave their lives since our Country was founded in the pursuit of peace and in the protection of others.