

## Branch #123 Waterford

### Executive

President/Leadership& Development/ Service Officer	Ian Simpson
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2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President/Pavilion/ Honours & Awards	Scott Hooper
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President/Senior's/ Hall Rental	Sharon Anderson
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Secretary/Membership/Bylaws/ LA Liaison	Barb Taylor-Gagné

### Executive Committee

Treasurer	Jamie Gunn
Poppy	Pat Freeman
Public Relations	Norma Jean Kennedy
House	Mike Jarvis
Grounds	Wayne Lyons
Youth Education/T&F	Bonnie Kirk
Artifacts	Bruce Brown
Padre	Rev. A. Burr
Sports/Entertainment	Brad Walker
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President	Evelyn Babineau
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2nd Vice President	Carolyn Mural
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**“We Will Remember Them!”**

**News Bulletin and Calendar  
January/February 2024**

## President's Report

Welcome comrades, firstly I would like to wish the executive, volunteers, members and community a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The events continue to be well run and making a profit. This profit allows us to remain open as the bar will not. Thank you to all our fantastic volunteers. Without you, this branch could not survive.

We have taken on Trudy's Bookkeeping to replace Brenda. Trudy has already started helping Brenda to get caught up. On January 27th we will have our 2nd annual Robbie Burns Night. We have Scottish dancers coming along with the Ode to the Haggis. Food will be sold this year. Haggis, tatties (potatoes), neeps and gravy plus dessert. The cost of the food will be \$15.00. I am hoping people will support this event. New Years Eve tickets are on sale at the bar. We have a disco, and food by Ed and a lot fun.

The president's levee will be on January 1st, 2- 6pm with Donnie Dunham providing entertainment and food by Ed.

President, Ian Simpson

## Senior's Report

Christmas was celebrated at the recent annual Seniors' Christmas Party. We were entertained by a Harpist and Bodhran Drummer, Xmas trivia, food, and fun, and Santa., Norfolk Disposal, donated poinsettias for our event. Many Seniors went away with the plants as door prizes. A donated sleigh full of treats resulted in \$200.00 of donations from the guests. There were 55 guests. The budget of \$500 provided by the Nevada Funds were used and the extra costs required were taken from the Seniors' money held in the Branch General Account. Any other money required for party expenses was donated.

The amount in the Seniors' Funds now totals \$993.57. This Fund offsets the cost of entertainment for our Seniors' parties. These events are also supported through draws and guest donations.


If you require foot care assistance, please call Sharon at 519-443-7567. Happy Feet are Healthy Feet!

Senior's Chair, Sharon Anderson

## Nevada Report

The current license began on December 1st. Until we receive clarification from Norfolk County, the donations will be limited to Public Speaking Awards and the Seniors' Spring Fling. The Committee will decide on future donations, once we have received feedback from Norfolk

Nevada Chair, Ruth Anne Masecar



**Catch the Ace**  
Continues on Fridays in November and December until the Ace is caught. There will be 400 tickets made available each week and sold for \$5.00 each. There will be a limit of four tickets per customer. Tickets sales begin at 2:00PM and will end at 7:00PM, Draw at 7:30PM. Proceeds to be shared by the Skateboard Park, Waterford Food Cupboard and our Legion.

## Membership

Eighteen applications for membership will be sent to Command once they reopen in January. One transfer application has been received from Mike Norman. Early Bird Draws (2) were made for paid 2025 memberships. Catherine Smith and Jared Wilks were the winners. All will be held and processed as of January 1st to avoid an additional three months charge. As long as dues are paid for 2024, the receipt is valid as membership. If you have questions, please call Barb 519-443-7149

Membership Chair, Barb Taylor-Gagne

### **Sport's Report**

Two teams advanced to District in darts. As the Senior Dart Team won, next year's competition will be hosted by Br. 123. Pool, darts and playing cards are available to the membership for your enjoyment at any time. Just ask at the Bar.

Check the Bulletin Board in the Club Room Foyer for updates on Zone Sports.

Sport's Chair, Brad Walker

### **Artifacts Report**

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, our Branch received a generous donation from the Waterford and Townsend Historical Society. Their monetary donation will be used for the displaying of artifacts as per their request.

On behalf of the Executive and the Members of Br 123, I would like to thank them for the Donation.

Artifact's Chair, Bruce Brown

### **Poppy Report**

Due to the efforts of all of our wonderful volunteers and the generosity of our great community, the Poppy Campaign was very successful. With the support of local businesses, community groups and individuals, we raised \$13,600.

This will be disbursed by the Poppy Committee in the New Year and will be used to support Veterans.

Poppy Chair, Pat Freeman

### **Finance Report**

Work is progressing well in catching up the input of accounting records. We have implemented a new accounting software, Sage Business Cloud. We will be fully transitioned to the new platform by January 2024. The Executive/Membership can expect to see monthly reports commencing January 2024.

	December	November
General Account	\$ 107 594.19	\$ 110 159.40
Nevada Account	\$ 8 366.06	\$ 8 078.96
Building Account	\$ 6 989.17	\$ 6 994.12
Lottery Account	\$ 22 173.56	\$ 13 782.40
GIC (General)	\$ 48,009.39	\$ 48 009.39
GIC (Capital)	\$ 41 580.25	\$ 41 580.25

Treasurer, Jamie Gunn

### **Meat Draws, 50/50 and Silent Auction Report**

The Branch held an event in December. The Crowd was a bit sparse, but the those who attended enjoyed the event and funds were raised for the Legion and Charity.

Net Proceeds (Draw and 50/50) \$699

Silent Auction \$708

From the funds raised, a donation of \$434.85 was made to the H-N Women's Shelter.

### **Kid's Christmas Party**

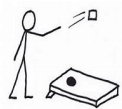
Christmas was celebrated at the annual Kid's Christmas Party. The Front Hall was a beehive of activity stations and treats, with a roomful of 45 children and caregivers. Fun was had by all. Santa dropped by as well.

Christmas Party Planner, Sharon Anderson

### **General Meeting**

The next general meeting for the members of Br 123 will be held Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30PM. Please sign in before taking your seat. Come and participate in the governance of your Branch.

### **A Favourite Activity is Back!**



Corn Hole will resume in January  
on Thursdays at 6:30PM.

Watch the Br. 123 Website,  
Facebook and Club Room Bulletin  
Board for details.

## Super Bowl Party 2024

It's happening on Sunday,  
February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Game starts at 6:30PM, but the  
party starts at 5:15PM

Enjoy the half time show with  
"Usher". Lots of fun and activities  
to keep you entertained.



### Branch Events for:

#### January

3	5:30 PM	Wednesday Supper (Roast Beef)
4	6:30PM	Corn Hole
5	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
11	6:30PM	Corn Hole
12	5:00 PM	Fish and Chips & Entertainment later
12	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
14	9:00AM	Sunday Brunch
18	6:30PM	Corn Hole
19	7:00 PM	Pub Quiz
19	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
26	5:00 PM	Wings and Karaoke
26	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
27	6:00PM	Robbie Burns Dinner

#### February

1	6:30PM	Corn Hole
2	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
7	5:30PM	Wednesday Supper (Cabbage Rolls)
8	6:30PM	Corn Hole
9	5:00 PM	Fish And Chips
9	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
11	9:00AM	Sunday Brunch
11	6:30PM	Super Bowl Party
14	6:30PM	Corn Hole
16	7:00 PM	Pub Quiz
16	7:30PM	Chase the Ace
23	5:00 PM	Wings and Karaoke
23	7:30PM	Chase the Ace

	Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate
10		Shawn Mark Greg McAlpine Nancy Moke Janet Oliphant	
15		Elizabeth Kirkwood Bee Kirkwood Herb Taylor Gemma Simpson	
20			Doug Miller
25	Brian Kenny	Stephen Thomson Shawn Turvey Ian Simpson Dolly Lunn	Reade Barbour Ron Barbour Howie Yin
30	Allen Beaul	Randy Hobbs Rick Kocznur Frank Weaver	
35	Harry Torraville	Steve Bagshaw Rob Fletcher Linda Maracle Nick Mitro Ellis Gareth	Rick Szabo
40		Brian Kennedy Tracy Gardiner Mark Kitchen Carol Logan Fred Mayo Scott McCulligh	
45		Donna Ramsey	
50		Brian Babineau Bill Brewer Keith MacDonald Jim Mullen	
Life Members: Charlie Lemery (50), Keith Earl (60)			

### Youth Education Report

An entry from WDHS has gone through from Zone to District. President Ian and I were invited to St Bernard's School for their assembly. The children received their poster and literary entries and prize monies were also given out. The children loved having us present their awards in person.

Packages were delivered to all five schools this week which Public Speaking. To cover costs, a request \$500 from the general account has been made.

Youth Chair, Bonnie Kirk