



Dunsdon
Legion



Branch 461 HI-LITES

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Join us and bring a friend to our
Legion Week Open House
Sunday Sept. 21st to Saturday Sept. 27th

SUNDAY SEPT 21ST
Steve Beach Trio
& BBQ 2-6pm \$5

MONDAY SEPT 22ND
Ladies Euchre 1pm
Meet & Greet
Pub Night 6pm

TUESDAY SEPT 23RD
Drop In & Learn
Snooker 6pm

WEDNESDAY
SEPT 24TH
Progressive
Euchre
7pm

THURSDAY
SEPT 25TH
Game Night
Cribbage, Euchre &
Board Games 7pm

FRIDAY
SEPT 26TH
Friday Social 4pm
Jim Young
Experience 7pm

SATURDAY
SEPT 27TH
Karaoke
& Cocktails
7pm



AUGUST-OCTOBER 2025

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Our Next General Meeting

will be held on

SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2025

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Comrades:

It's seems like summer just got started and it's August already. I hope everyone enjoyed this nice hot weather. Summer holidays and vacations obviously have an impact on how busy our branch has been over the last couple of months. This will probably continue for the new few weeks. Thanks to everyone that continue to support your branch during the summer months.

Some events continue to take place and are being well attended. Thanks to those volunteers that continue to donate their time to help make sure these programs are successful. If you've been in the branch in the last week or so you will have noticed we have upgraded both the men's washrooms. Thanks to the efforts of comrade Don Wolan this upgrade was completed very quickly. Unfortunately we did not get approved for this year's trillium grant which would have allowed us to complete the repairs to our existing cooler. Thanks to comrade Chrystal Petit-pas who continually works hard filling out grant applications on our behalf trying to get us money. This is time consuming work. Thank you Chrystal

Moving forward we have some exciting things happening in September. The Easy Street Blues Band will be hosting a blues afternoon with 3 other band. Tickets are going fast so check out our Web site for details

The week of September 21-27 we will be celebrating Legion Week with numerous events to be held everyday. We're currently in the planning stages and more details will be available over the next week or so. We will be looking for a few volunteers to help us during that week. If you would like to help us to promote the Legion and your branch to our community we welcome anyone that is interested.

In closing I hope everyone gets to enjoy the rest of the summer. If you doing some travelling be safe. Thanks to our greats staff, volunteers, your executive for all their hard work, and to you comrades for your continued support. I look forward to seeing you all in the branch.

Yours In Service, President Ron Butcher

YOUTH EDUCATION

Comrades: The youth education will be starting up near the end of September. We are looking for someone to take over this very rewarding part of the Legion activities. This is a great opportunity to help inspire and develop our youth through extra curricular activities.

Please contact rcl461vicepresident@gmail.com if you are interested in helping out.

BUILDING

We are still working on the main cooler for the bar. We received an estate donation from a Mr. Victor Mirco in the amount of \$17,000. This donation is has allowed us to purchase a new upper stove and to fix the men's urinals.

Comrade Don Wolan – 1st Vice president

**IN MEMORIAM**

**James Lawrence Attwell
 Allan E Brunsdon**





RCL Branch 461 Dunsdon - Information

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Bar Hours (summer): Monday 1 to 5 pm, Wednesday 1 to 11 pm, Friday 1 to 11 pm, Saturday 6 to 11 pm
Bar Hours (Winter) Monday 2 to 5pm (10 when cards are on),
Tuesday 5 to 10pm, Wednesday 2pm to 10pm, Friday 2pm to 10pm, Saturday 6 to 11 pm

Contact numbers

Ron Butcher for General Legion Inquires 226 387-3750 rwb1243@bell.net
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Ladies Euchre 1pm Monday Mixed League Cribbage 7-10pm Monday

Men's League Cribbage 7-10pm Tuesday Drop In Snooker 6-11pm Tuesday

League Snooker 6-10pm Wednesday, Mixed Progressive Euchre 7-10pm Wednesday

Line Dancing 10am Thursday, Friday Social 4-7pm Friday, Mixed Darts Friday 8-12pm

Weekly Events

(some events do not run every week due to scheduling - always check with the organizer or Bartender)

Next General Meetings

Sept 17

Membership Card Required

Saturday/Sunday Entertainment - Downstairs Lounge 7 to 11pm Doors open at 6pm

| September | October | November | December | | |
|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| 6 Hwy 24 - Upstairs | 4 Jasmine T | 1 James Ryan Band | 6 Murray Williams Duo | | |
| 13 Music Trivia | 5 (Sunday) Albatross (2-6pm) | 8 Music Trivia | 13 Music Trivia | | |
| 14 Sunday James Ryan Band 2-6pm | 11 Music Trivia | 15 Hwy 24 - Upstairs | 20 Voodoo Kings | | |
| 20 Upstairs event | 18 Voodoo Kings | 22 Karaoke | 27 Karaoke | | |
| 21 Sunday Steve Beach Trio 2-6pm | 25 Karaoke | 23 (Sunday) Albatross (2-6pm) | 31 Hwy 24 | | |
| 27 Karaoke | 26 (Sunday) Cobby's Kitchen Party (2-6pm) | 29 Loose Change | | | |

Note: Music Trivia requires pre registration Please contact Ross McGuinness at mcguinness9535@rogers.com

Karaoke is with Murray Mclean from Brantford Party Rentals

BAR MATTERS:

Bar Hours (summer):

Monday 1 to 5 pm, Wednesday 1 to 11 pm, Friday 1 to 9 pm, Saturday 6 to 11 pm.

Winter hours will be starting mid September with the return of cards and darts.

Bar Hours (Winter)

Monday 2 to 5pm (10 when cards are on), Tuesday 5 to 10pm, Wednesday 2pm to 10pm, Friday 2pm to 10pm, Saturday 6 to 11 pm

Our Friday afternoon social is doing quite well and we hope to see you out. Our Saturday entertainment has had some really great turnouts, the music Trivia and Karaoke has a great crowd so overall we are doing quite well. I would like to thank our head Bar Steward Melissa Cheesman for doing such a great job running the bar. Another area that has helped with keeping the Legion open is the hard work of our Rental Co-Ordinator Sandra Eisenbach in renting our upper hall.

Comrade Don Wolan – 1st Vice president

ENTERTAINMENT REPORT:

Entertainment continues to go well at the Branch. We have booked some Sunday afternoon entertainment which we will try twice a month over the fall. Starting on Sunday September 14th with the James Ryan Band, then the Steve Beach Trio will kick off our Legion Week Event on Sunday September 21st, Albatross will play on Sunday October 5th and Sunday November 23rd and Cobby's Kitchen Party on Sunday October 26th.

Please see the calendar above for more entertainment details.

SERVICE OFFICER:

Anyone wishing information on pensions, allowances etc. should set up an appointment with the Branch or by calling me at 519-751-7883.

The Provincial Service Officer is a great resource of information for veterans and their dependents.

Yours in Comradeship,
David Petit-Pas



Renew your Legion membership today!

Because of your dedication, the Legion can continue to provide support to Veterans and their families, remember the Fallen, and support our communities. You are part of an essential national network and renewing today will keep your membership in good standing for the upcoming year.

For your convenience, you can renew your membership online at legion.ca/member. From there, you can set your membership to auto-renew to be billed automatically each year. You can also make your payment at your local Branch or by mail using the address below.

If you have already sent in your dues, we thank you and look forward to the upcoming year. Membership dues are regular \$55, but with our Early Bird promotion they are \$50 if you sign up between September and December 2025. The Executive agreed at our meeting, August 11th to offer a **FREE 2026 MEMBERSHIP** to one lucky member who has paid their 2026 dues by December 31st, 2025.

The draw will take place at the January 2026 meeting. So let's everyone get in on the draw for a chance at a free membership.

Cheryl Potter, Membership Chair

SPORTS UPDATE

Most of the sports activities start in September. We encourage you to sign up today. If you're interested in finding out more details about our sports activities:

- **SNOOKER** call Nick Seifert at 226-966-1041
- **DARTS** call Deb Mitchell at 519-754-7353
- **MIXED CRIBBAGE** is looking for a couple of new players, please call Luke Grulx at 519-751-1907
- **MEN'S CRIBBAGE** call Dennis Pulham at 548-880-0207
- **EUCHRE** call Brenda Bridgewater at 226-552-0206

If you're interested in competing at any legion event you must have your membership paid by Dec 31st 2025.

Remember it's easy to get your digital card online which is automatically updated when you pay to renew your membership.

I will try to keep all the information current so if you have any questions please contact me and I will try to help.

Scott Butcher, Sports Chair



Mark you calendar
OCTOBER 31 to NOVEMBER 11, 2025

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For the upcoming 2025 campaigns we are looking for volunteers to assist in various areas of the campaign. No experience needed just willing to donate some time for a great cause.

Areas that we will be needing assistance are as follows:

- Drop off poppies and poster entries to the schools in the north end of the city and then pick up after November 11. We can split this into several areas so it would only take a few hours of your time.
- Help get the supplies ready for the schools and other locations before the campaign begins.
- Help with organizing the local cadets supplies and pick up and drop off on the 2 weekends
- Help with dropping off and picking up poppies at local stores, community venues or factories in the North end
- We have 3 routes where we drop off the boxes with poppies at the various venues at the start of the campaign. Depending on the location and consumer traffic visit then over the next 2 weeks check to make sure the full boxes are replaced or topped up. Extra help here is always appreciated
- We have 3 displays – Walmart, Zehr's King George Road and Zehr's on Fairview/ West Street - having volunteers at the booth during the drive is very important and creates an awareness of the reason for Remembrance Day and how this event supports our veterans. Students can get their volunteer hours this way if you can supervise their shift. We will post a sign up sheet for the displays at the legion in October

Sandy Wallace, Poppy Chair

Home # 519-759-4568 or Cell/Text at 519-774-2455



400 CLUB

May 9th, Elimination draw was held and the winners were as follows.

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| Sean Cheesman | \$100 |
| Greg Curley | \$50 |
| Scott Duffield | \$100 |
| Patti William | \$50 |
| Nancy Sherren | \$100 |
| Darlene Munroe | \$50 |
| Margaret Heywood | \$100 |
| Paul Danielson | \$50 |
| Bev Tufts | \$100 |
| Luke Groulx | \$50 |
| Sherri McCaw | \$100 |
| Debra Wright | \$50 |
| Cheryl Potter | \$100 |
| Bob Brock | \$50 |
| Mark Tufts | \$100 |
| Kelsey Rossi | \$50 |
| Les Daines | \$250 |
| Jen Barr | \$300 |
| Bob Janes | \$400 |
| Genie & Frank Hammond | \$500 |
| Lisa Welton | \$3,000 |

The next 400 club elimination draw will be October 17, 2025. If you are interested in obtaining a ticket for this draw please leave your name and number with the Legion bartender or myself.

I can be reached at rcl461vicepresident@gmail.com
Comrade Don Wolan
Lottery Chairperson

HONOURS AND AWARDS

There was a special presentation at Tranquility Place Retirement Home on April 30th. Br. 461 President Ron Butcher, Past President Jack Wallace and Service Officer David Petit-Pas presented a 65 year membership pin to WWII Veteran Gordon Ferrell.



WWII veteran member Norm Hammond was presented with a 75-year service lapel pin, Certificate of Appreciation and a Legion hat at Riverview Retirement Home. He will be 99 years young on August 4th. He is the first recipient of a 75-year service pin from Dunsdon Legion.

A service awards presentation is planned for our General Meeting on November 19th, 2025. Members are entitled to a service pin for every 5 years of membership, 5, 10, 15, 20 years, etc. Please advise myself at 519-759-4568 or email at swalla@sympatico.ca.

Jack Wallace - Past President



CHICK WRIGHT GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Saturday June 7th the Chick Wright Golf Tournament was held at the Oaks of St. George and raised over \$6,700.00 for our Legion. A huge thank you to all the volunteers, sponsors and participants for helping to make this event a huge success.

PADRE'S REPORT

Comrades, we are approaching an important season for all of us at the Legion. It is the raison-d'être of our existence. We spend our time around Remembrance Day by commemorating those who gave their lives in service to our country and freedom. At our branch, we will use the opportunity to sell poppies which support charities related to caring for our veterans.

On Sunday, November 9 at 2pm we will have a service to honour those who have gone before us and those who continue to serve for the sake of freedom. We will be joined by the Men of Song, cadets and serving armed forces members to do that. Also, we remember that there will be a 11 am service at the Brant War Memorial on Dalhousie street across from the Armories. (Just a note, I am aware at this point there may be road construction in the area at that time.) As per past years, those wishing to march to the cenotaph will meet at Harmony Square for 10:15 am.

Let's do it!!! Padre, Jim.

Dunsdon Legion Hall Rental



Our main Hall rental holds up to 200 people.

It has 10 dartboards, a full kitchen and bar.

From weddings, buck and does, celebrations of life, bridal or baby showers, classes, club meetings, fundraisers to Passport Clinics.

The Dunsdon Legion is easy to get to and has plenty of parking.

The games area has two snooker tables and 4 Dart Boards

If you are looking to book a hall for that Small to Medium Event the Dunsdon Legion can fit the bill.

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Contact Sandra Eisenbach 519 304-4426 • (519) 752-6668

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