

Branch 461 HI-LITES

### **Proud to be Canadian**

"They shall not grow old,
As we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them;
nor the years condemn
At the going down of the
sun and in the morning
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM."



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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Comrades:

Greetings from Portimao Portugal. Sorry about all the snow you have had to experience this winter. Holly and I were sorry that we missed it. LOL. By the time you read this report we will be back in Canada. Although we have really enjoyed being away we have missed all our friends and comrades at our branch. I know from some discussions with Don and Melissa that you have been well taken care of. Thanks to all our volunteers, staff and your executive who have taken care of you and our branch in my absence. Look forward to getting caught up on all that has happened during my absence.

Your in Service

Ron Butcher, President Branch 461 Dunsdon Legion

#### **400 CLUB**

The next 400 club elimination draw will be May 9th, 2025. If you are interested in obtaining a ticket for the May 9th, 2025, 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

#### YOUTH EDUCATION

Comrades: The Speaking contest was held at the Branch on Feb 19th. There were 8 contestants from the schools, down considerably from the previous year. Here are the Winners Grades 1-3 – Primary Emily Heitkamp Grades 4-6 – Junior Skylar Lee Grades 7-9 – Intermediate Megan Latulippe



We then held the Zone Speaking Contest on March 1 Comrade Don Wolan - Youth Education Chairperson

#### Our Next General Meeting will be held on May 21, 2025

You're up to date membership card is required for entry.

Come on out and support your executive. Even better, think about joining the executive



#### **RCL Branch 461 Dunsdon - Information**

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519 752-6668

Bar Hours (summer): Monday 1 to 5 pm, Wednesday 1 to 11 pm, Friday 1 to 11 pm, Saturday 6pm to 11 pm



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#### **Weekly Events**

Ladies Euchre 1pm Monday Line Dancing 6pm Monday (starts in June)

Drop In Snooker 6pm -11pm Wednesday Mixed Progressive Euchre 7-11 pm Wednesday

Line Dancing 6pm Wednesday (Starts in June) Line Dancing 9am Thursday(except July and August)

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

**Next General Meetings** 

May 21

Sept 17
Membership Card Required

Saturday Entertainment - Downstairs Lounge

#### 7pm to 11pm Doors open at 6pm

April		May		June		July	
5	Easy Street Blues Band	3	<b>Checkerboard Floors</b>	7	Loose Change	5	Chinese Village
12	Music Trivia	10	Music Trivia	14	Music Trivia	12	Music Trivia
19	Long weekend	17	Long weekend	21	The Reflections Band	19	Vooodoo Kingz
25	Albatross (after Friday social)	24	Karaoke	28	Karaoke	26	Karaoke
26	Karaoke	31	Hwy 24 - Upstairs \$5 cover				

Note: Music Trivia requires pre registration Please contact Ross McGuiness at mcguinnes9535@rogers.com

Karaoke is with Murray Mclean from Brantford Party Rentals

#### **BAR MATTERS:**

Comrades: The New winter Bar Hours will be commencing after the leagues are done and will be as follows.

Bar Hours (summer):

Monday 1 to 5 pm,

Wednesday 1 to 11 pm,

Friday 1 to 9 pm,

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 Mellissa 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

#### **BUILDING:**

Our main cooler has started to falter and we need to have it replaced. After years of flooding from the upper bar, the wood on the inside has become unstable and the doors are starting to give us problems.

It has been repaired for now, however the repair will not last. We have put in a grant to do this repair.

During our Health inspection we had a few items that needed fixing, the glass washer upstairs was repaired. In the kitchen there is a noticeable gas smell, the

repaired. In the kitchen there is a noticeable gas smell, the stove is a very old stove and has been

repaired many times. We have applied for a grant to replace the stove.

Comrade Don Wolan – 1st Vice president

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#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

As you may be aware, we have some big ticket items to deal with in the coming months, namely the replacement of the downstairs cooler.

We need to begin fundraising so, SPRING FLING FUNDRAISER is on SUNDAY APRIL 13

DOORS OPEN 12:30 **MUSIC BEGINS AT 1:00** 

Featuring the music of

- **Eric Fournier and** "LOOSE CHANGE"
- **Trevor Cobb and** "COBBYS KITCHEN PARTY"
- Craig Walker and "HWY 24"
- **Tony Modesti and** "BRUCE STREET"
- Jamie Reinhart & Rick Charleau

These entertainers are performing FREE OF CHARGE.

There will be draws, door prizes and lots of yummy food!

TICKETS: \$20 pp

(available at the bar now)

ALL PROCEEDS TO BR. 461

Come on out for a fun afternoon and raise some much needed fun for your Branch.

Call me at 519-751-7883 for more info.

Yours in Comradeship,

David Petit-Pas

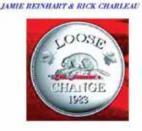
A couple of additions to

the line- up this spring and summer.

FRIDAY APRIL 25----7:30-11:30-----ALBATROSS FRIDAY AUGUST 22----7:30-11:30 ALBATROSS

TICKETS ARE GOING FAST PICK UP YOURS TODAY!! SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT Summer is fast approaching and I have a couple of requests. 1. Members who have loaned medical equipment that they no longer require, please return it to the Branch so that others may use it. 2. We ask if you know someone who is in hospital or shut-in and would appreciate a visit, please notify us. You may leave the information with the office or call me at 519-751-7883. We would love to see them if we know about it. That is my report and I so move,











TICKETS: \$20

Available at the Dunsdon Legion Bar or Call Dave at 519 751-7883

David Petit-Pas, Service Officer



# GOLF TOURNAMENT SATURDAY JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> OAKS OF ST. GEORGE

\$125 per golfer includes golf, cart and steak dinner

For more information contact:
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Register online or sign up
at the Dunsdon Legion by Friday May 30th





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#### SPORTS AT THE LEGION

The Dunsdon Legion was represented at the following zone and District sports. Zone B2 Cribbage Held at the Dunsdon Legion with the following competing Bill Hodgson, Wade Campbell, Bob Lanktree, Mark Gerlofsma, Don Wolan, John Bridgewater, Paul Hachigian and Adrian Spencer, Luke Groulx, Cindy Groulx, Jim Attwell and Lynne Theal, Jack Wallace, Fred Elliot, Dennis Pullman and Derrick Meenagh.

Three of Our teams moved on to District with the team of Bill Hodgson, Wade Campbell, Bob Lanktree and Mark Gerlofsma moving on to Provincials, with the win at District The Dunsdon Legion will be hosting the next District Tournament. Our team came in Third at the Provincials.

We sent two teams to District Snooker Deo Dedominicis, Kevin Scott, Nick Seifert and Jason Claus, Gus Chatzis, Scott Richards, Kevin Gervais and Hal Watts.

We sent 4 teams to Zone Euchre Bill Hodgson, Wade Campbell, Bob Lanktree and Adrian Spencer,

Don Wolan, John Bridgewater, Paul Hachigian and Tony Kren, Luke Groulx, Cindy Groulx, Jim Attwell and Lynne Theal, Jack Wallace, Fred Elliot, Dennis Pullman and Derrick Meenagh.

The team of Luke Groulx, Cindy Groulx, Jim Attwell and Lynne Theal was fortunate enough to move on to District which is being held on March 29.

Comrade Don Wolan – Acting Sports Chairman

We have a few sports teams that play each week in competitive events at the various clubs in the city and at our hall. In August or September we will be looking for some new members to join the teams. If you are interested leave your name and phone number with one of the bartenders when you are at the club and they can pass along to the various Team Captains.

Monday afternoon - Ladies Euchre Monday evening - Mixed Cribbage Tuesday evening - Mens Cribbage Wednesday - Snooker (Pool) & Euchre



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#### **VOLUNTEER HELP REQUEST**

The Dunsdon Legion could use some volunteers to help various activities for our different events, from selling tickets, kitchen help, picking up prizes for the golf tournament, taking pictures or cleaning up after events. You don't have to be a member to help out.

We could also use a Sports Chairman, this involves putting up posters for the events and sending in the registration to command. It's a great way to meet new people and help out at the same time.

If you'd be interested in helping out, please contact Ron Butcher at 226-387-3750



#### **HEY LINE DANCERS!!!**

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