



# Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61

## Newsletter – April 2023

### **President's Report**

I am looking forward to working with our Executive that has stepped up to organize and do all the work required to make the next two years successful. They take away from their own family time, relaxation time and put in many long hours of hard work and money to help keep our Legion a vital part of this Community for everyone to enjoy.

Please support our events and our food sales as this makes all this possible.

We continue to support all the Veterans in the area and their families.

If you have any public announcements, not commercial ones, let us know so we can inform our members.

Thank You

Your President,  
Cde Lorraine Andrushuk

### **Centennial Chair's Report**

Our centennial cookbook for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is well underway. There is still time for you to submit your favorite recipes! Please see the ad in this newsletter for more information.

Cde Stephen Troubridge

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### **Executive 2023**

**President:** Cde Lorraine Andrushuk

**Past President:** Cde Clinton Kennedy

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President:** Cde Velma Darroux

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President:** Cde Beverley Self

**Treasurer:** Cde Helen Frovich

**Secretary:** Cde Teresa Beauregard

**Service Officers:** Cde Peggy Kennedy &  
Cde Clinton Kennedy

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Cde Jim Stewart

**Finance Chair:** Helen Frovich

**Entertainment, Ways & Means Chair:**  
Cde Lorraine Andrushuk

**Newsletter Chair:** Cde Velma Darroux

**Memberships:** Cde Cindy Stewart

**Honours & Awards Chair:** Cde Cindy  
Stewart

**Bar / Nevada Chair:** Cde Olga Mackay

**Maintenance Chair:** Cde Alain  
Beauregard

**Poppy Chairs:** Cde Don Sul &  
Cde Lori Sul

**Public Relations:** Cde Velma Darroux

**Website /IT Support:** Cde Chris Mulroy

**Sports Chairs:** Cde Olga McKay (Darts),  
Cde Cindy Stewart (Floor Curling),

**Lotteries Chair:** Cde Helen Frovich

**Hall Rentals Chair:** Cde Bev Gabarevic

**Sick & Visiting Chairs:** Cde Peggy  
Kennedy & Cde Clinton Kennedy

**Branch Chaplain:** Cde Beth McLean

## Newsletter Report

Thank you to everyone for your submissions to the newsletter! We try to have the information as up to date as possible. If there is anything else you would like to see included, please let me know and I will try my best to include it.

Cde. Velma Darroux



## Friday Night Fun Darts have started again!

Doors open at 6:00 pm and  
darts begin at 7:00 pm

**Everyone Welcome!**



# Interlake Legion Darts

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## Royal Canadian Legion Darts

### Upcoming Dates of Interest

**Fun Blind Draw Doubles Tournaments**  
Cost: \$5 per person  
**100% payout**



Sunday  
September 11th, 2022  
Lac Du Bonnet Legion  
registration closes at 1045am



Saturday October 15th, 2022 Gimli Legion registration closes at 1030am	Sunday November 20th, 2022 Selkirk Legion registration closes at 1130am	Saturday December 17th, 2022 Winnipeg Beach Legion registration closes at 1030am
Sunday January 22nd, 2023 Lac Du Bonnet Legion registration closes at 1045am	Saturday February 18th, 2023 Gimli Legion registration closes at 1030am	Sunday March 19th, 2023 Selkirk Legion registration closes at 1130am
Saturday April 22nd, 2023 Winnipeg Beach Legion registration closes at 1030am	Sunday May 14th, 2023 Lac Du Bonnet Legion registration closes at 1045am	Saturday June 10th, 2023 Gimli Legion registration closes at 1030am

Play will start shortly after registration closes

## Membership Report

I am pleased to report that we have received 101 renewals and have welcomed some new members.

We still have a few that have not renewed their membership. If you have not renewed please do so as soon as possible.

With your membership you receive the Legion magazine as well as access to the "Poppy Store" as well as discounts at a variety of stores. Take advantage as a Legion member to enjoy discounts and savings at both local retailers and online store. Learn more at:  
<https://www.legion.ca/memberperks>.

We had our Honours and Awards dinner in November and handed out 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 year pins. If you feel I have missed you please contact the Legion with a message for me and I will check into it for you.

The mission of the Royal Canadian Legion is to serve Veterans, including serving military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance, and to serve our communities and our country.

Cde Cindy Stewart

## BAR/NEVADA CHAIR'S REPORT

The bar has started opening Friday nights for our Friday Night Fun Darts which has been a great success with an average of 20 teams coming to play, and some spectators.

We hope to keep it going Fridays at 7 pm until April or May, as long as we have the interest.

I am running the darts and bar with Comrade Marie Gabarevic.

We also have a dart tournament planned for April 22, 2023.

Cde Olga Mackay

## First Vice President's Report

Happy Spring Everyone, it's good to be back! We are busy preparing for all our events for 2023!

My big project right now is the Fashion Show. Red Apple Gimli has agreed to supply the clothes and accessories for the show and the Manager (my daughter) Tamara has been helping me find models and fitting them in outfits. We are looking forward to it and hoping that next year we can open it up to have several stores represented during the show. Tickets are only \$15 and are available from me, at the Red Apple Store in Gimli, the Winnipeg Beach Legion or members of the Ways and Means Committee.

We have many other events happening this Spring/Summer and will be looking forward to seeing everyone at our events! Tickets for most of our events will be available at any of the upcoming events or from the Ways and Means Committee members.

We will also be selling our Cash Calendars again beginning in April. The draws will take place in December and the winners will be contacted.

Volunteers are always welcome so if you have some time to spare or just need to get out of the house for a couple of hours, please let us know, we'd love to see you!

Cde. Velma Darroux

A photograph of various spices and herbs in small bowls and containers on a wooden surface. The spices include cinnamon sticks, star anise, and ground spices. The herbs include fresh rosemary and parsley.

**BE A PART OF THE  
BRANCH #061  
CENTENNIAL COOKBOOK**

**We want your recipes to be part of the  
Winnipeg Beach Legion's 100<sup>th</sup>  
Centennial Cookbook – Fundraiser.**

**Please submit your recipes to the branch office marked "Cookbook"  
or e-mail them to: [branch61recipes@gmail.com](mailto:branch61recipes@gmail.com)**

### Reminder to users of the Winnipeg Beach Legion

*We have limited parking spaces in front of the Legion.*

*Please note that there are only **two** spaces allotted on the east side of our parking lot.*

*If you park further out than the **two** spaces allotted along the east side of the Legion's parking area you will risk receiving a parking ticket or a tow away.*

*That thoroughfare is reserved for the Fire Department's and Public Works' safe entry and exit. Please refer to the pavement markings when visible, and when in doubt use the street parking.*

## Ways and Means

The Chairs and all our committees are busy preparing for the 2023 events, Velma is hard at work on posters, tickets, and all other aspects of publication, plus helping prepare food items.

We are busy organizing the events especially the perogies and perishke bee for the tea sales. The Legion has an ongoing baking, cabbage roll preparing and pie making all year round to sell so we can pay all the bills. However this winter I need to give a special thanks to the three Ladies, Teresa, Bev Self and Cheryl Frain who helped me keep up with our winter food production.

A number of us are involved in securing auction items for the tea as well as making sure we have all the supplies we need. We also spend a lot of time doing up the ticket bundles. We only ask members for donations for the Spring Tea from the Legion and Ladies Auxiliary members. We appreciate other donations but we do not solicit them for this event. We are also preparing a small jester of appreciation to be delivered to all our Veterans this Easter.

Velma Darroux and her daughter Tamara in conjunction with Red Apple Gimli are organizing the fashion models and clothes for our Fashion Show on April 23. There will be a chicken dinner following the fashion show. Tickets are available at the Legion, Red Apple and all Ways and Means Committee members. It should be a lot of fun.

We are busy setting up for the Spring Tea and Bake Sale with the Ladies Auxiliary. We keep this tea as close to the old-time teas as possible, this is what makes it special. Please attend you will have a great day.

A lot of the work goes into preparing for the Bud Spud and Steak, making the posters and tickets up getting all this information out to the public has been done by Velma Darroux. Cindy Stewart and Olga Mackay are arranging all the Auction items, selling tickets and letting everyone know about the event. The cooking of steaks will be done by Jim Stewart and HELPERS. Our Bar team Olga Mackay and Bev Gabrevic manage the bar and the 50/50 and arrange the music. Jordan and the rest of our Ways and Means team will be managing the kitchen, door, and finance accounting and helping to sell tickets. Please support this event. The money is going toward helping us buy a new air conditioner for the Legion.

The Legion still has a couple tables available for our April 1<sup>st</sup> craft sale craft sale and at the same time are working on our fall sale to be held on September 23.

For our fall super, only two hundred tickets will be sold. It will be a sit-down dinner held on September 9; these tickets will be available soon. Get yours early because they sell out fast.

We have a Christmas Tea and Bake Sale planned for November the 18, 2023.

Our Honors and Awards Dinner for the Legion will be on November 25. This will be a combined event with the Ladies Auxiliary. Tickets will be available from Legion and Auxiliary Members.

The School Christmas with Santa is tentatively set for December 12. We give the children a small gift and a meal. I think all of volunteers enjoy this event the most.

Our Christmas supper will be December 15, please try to sell some tickets for this to help cover the costs of all the free dinners we provide. We have had great community support and the Firemen have delivered to both the Lodge and the Villa which means a great deal. All the planning has been started, as well as some of the purchasing of early items and arranging for the volunteers. These events don't just happen. There are hundreds of hours where the volunteers give up family time, rest time and purchase tickets and come and do the work with no expectations of any financial gain. Please thank them when you see them. They are the salt of the earth and help keep this a vibrant part of your community.

Cde. S. Troubridge our Centennial Committee Chairperson, is busy compiling recipes from former and present members of the Legion and Ladies Auxiliary to create a 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Cookbook. This will take a lot of work but it will be a nice memento of our Legion for our 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. If you haven't sent in your favorite recipes yet, please do!

Ways and Means Chair, Lorraine Andrushuk  
Committee Members: Velma Darroux, Peggy Kennedy, Helen Frovich, Beverly Self,  
Teresa Beauregard and Cheryl Frain

## ***Sick And Visiting Chair's Report***

Veteran Cde Ken Muracz passed away Fall 2022. A \$40.00 donation from Branch 61 was made to the Assiniboine Park Conservancy Inc in memory of Ken, as per Wendy Muracz's wishes.

A wellness fruit basket was delivered to Cde Lorraine Andrushuk on her recent surgery.

We delivered a bouquet of flowers to President Eva Sohan of the Ladies Auxiliary on the loss of her brother.

Our 1st Vice-President Cde Velma Darroux has taken some time off for personal wellness. I will try to keep informed of her condition. We delivered a wellness fruit basket to her as well.

Cdes Peggy & Clinton Kennedy

## ***Maintenance Report***

- We have received a new A/C quote is \$8500.00.
- a new part has been ordered for the cooler in the kitchen.
- A test on the generator was done and all is good. The generator will test itself every second Wednesday. This will not affect the power in the building.
- generator safety bollards to be installed in the spring. Also, the Town needs to install some for their own use, so we are going to get it done at the same time to save money for both of us.
- the A.E.D pads are due to be replaced but they have none in stock. They are still good to use as long as they are not beeping. If the AED is emitting a series of single beeps please let me know and I will do a test to ensure it is still good. If not, I will contact Phillips for support.
- the exterior Legion sign over the entrance is burnt out. I will investigate as soon as the overhang roof is no longer slippery.
- the tap for the wash tub in the lady's washroom was leaking. A new tap has been installed.

Cde Alain Beauregard

## ***Honours & Awards Presentation Ceremony***

The following have been presented by Honours & Awards Chair Cde Cindy Stewart

- A Certificate of Appreciation to the Town of Winnipeg Beach Fire Chief Cde Dave Schellenberg.
- A Past President plaque plate was presented to Cde Clinton Kennedy
- Certificates of Appreciation to Cdes Olga Mackay and Bev Gabarevic

A flower bouquet presentation to Cdes Cindy & Jim Stewart for their past cleaning services was presented by Past President Cde Clinton Kennedy.



Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for the \$5000.00 donation which will be used for the new air conditioning unit this spring!



A cheque was presented to Winnipeg Beach Legion Branch 61 from the Town of Winnipeg Beach Firefighters Association President Cde Charissa Melnick and Fire Chief Cde Dave Schellenberg. The cheque was received by Past President Clinton Kennedy.

### Public Relations

Cde Velma Darroux, Public Relations Chairperson will oversee all public relation announcements to the members and to the community. Before anything is put out there, clear it with her. This will ensure that the secretary, all the committee chairs and the rest of the executive are all on the same page.

Cde Velma Darroux, Cde Teresa Beauregard, and President Lorraine Andrushuk will work closely on all of this.

This includes all Legion Facebook and website notifications and the ads in The Express Weekly News.

### A Thank you!

To the members of RCL #61, (1)

Thank you very much for the christmas card! It was great to get a card from home & from Manitoba to! Being from skno it was nice to see mail from home!

Hope you all had a Merry christmas & Happy New Year!

-Garrett J

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Thank you to the Noventis/Access Credit Union for their 2022 grant of \$1500.00 for our electrical upgrade, through their Community Connections Funding Program.

Cde Yuris Snikeris receiving his award of appreciation from the Branch for his donation of his own personal WWII artwork and the story behind the art.



## Winnipeg Beach Legion Br 61 Donation List 2022

### **SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS RECEIVED 2022**

Access/Noventis Credit Union	Gimli Snowmobile Centre	Pat Tobin
Alex & Allyah Kipling	Helen & Gord Frovich	Peggy & Clinton Kennedy
Andrushuk Family	Hidden Treasures Gimli	Petersfield Motor Hotel
Autopia Automotive Winnipeg	Home Hardware Wpg Beach	Pharmasave Gimli
Awards & More Wpg	IDA Pharmacy Silver Heights	Red Apple Gimli
Beach Handimart Wpg Beach	Wpg	Rona Gimli
Beth McLean	Jim & Cindy Stewart	Sandie Williams
Bev Bean & Dan Olafson	John Wheeler (Netley Farmer's	Shelly D's Gimli
Boston Pizza Selkirk	Market)	Shops of St Andrews
Canadian Tire Selkirk	Johnson's Gimli	Sobeys Gimli
Catherine Sproat	June & Dino Harvey	South Beach Casino
Cheryl Frain	Karen Proch	Staples Selkirk
Chicken Chef Gimli	Ladies Auxiliary Branch 61	Sugar Me Cookie Gimli
Chris Stewart	Lakeside Seniors	Tergesen's Gimli
Comodo Chinese Restaurant	Lakeview Resort Gimli	Tim Hortons Gimli
Gimli	Laurie Russin	Tomko Family
Deals for Dollars Gimli	Legion Branch 61	Town of Wpg Beach
Domo - Interlake C-Store Wpg	Linda Burney	Trebles Restaurant Wpg
Beach	Manitoba Theatre for Young	Beach
Eddie's Gravel	People Wpg	Velma & Lincoln Darroux
Eva Sohan	Mr James Bezan	Vera Ginter
Fort Whyte Alive Centre Wpg	Nadia Hanesiak	West Rock Winnipeg
Garriock Insurance Gimli	Oak Hammock Marsh	Winnipeg Art Gallery
Gimli Film Festival	Olga MacIntyre	Wpg Beach General Store
Gimli Junction	Pat Green	

### **CASH DONATIONS RECEIVED 2022**

Access/Noventis Credit Union	Denyse Stewner	Park Family
Andrushuk Family	Graham Watson	Peggy & Clinton Kennedy
Brian Crones (Ye Olde	Isfeld Villa (Christmas)	Shirley Rutherford
Collectibles & Variety Shop)	Jeff & Kris Haight	Susan & Peter Holfeuer
Christmas meals anonymous	Juris Snikeris	Town of Wpg Beach Municipal
Cindy & Jim Stewart	Ladies Auxiliary Branch 61	Grant \$2000.00
Dennis Swiston		

### **DONATIONS MADE 2022**

Easter Baskets Veterans	\$ 300.00	Cancer Care (in memoriam)	\$ 150.00
Fall Supper (Vets & Snrs)	\$ 400.00	Assiniboine Park Conservancy Inc (in memoriam)	\$40.00
Christmas Dinner Veterans	\$ 800.00	Gimli Seniors Resource Council	\$ 200.00
Christmas Dinners donation	\$2400.00	Gimli Air Cadets	\$ 200.00
Lunch With Santa & gifts	\$1500.00	Remembrance Day Lunch	\$ 400.00
Kiwanis Club of Gimli	\$ 200.00	Ashton LaRocque scholarship	\$ 500.00
Selkirk Mental Health Easter Party	\$ 200.00	Honours & Awards Event	\$2200.00
Deer Lodge (in memoriam)	\$ 140.00	Memberships donated	\$ 120.00

## Winnipeg Beach Legion Br 61 Donation List 2023

<b>DONATIONS RECEIVED 2023</b>		<b>DONATIONS MADE 2023</b>	
Wpg Beach Firefighters Association	\$750.00	Deer Lodge Centre	\$200.00
Lakeside Lions	\$100.00		
Town of Winnipeg Beach	\$250.00		



### **RCL BR 61 EVENTS–April to December 2023** (dates subject to change without notice)

*For information call:* Ways & Means Chair Lorraine Andrushuk 204-894-3701 or Velma Darroux 204-642-2840 or the Legion office 204-389-2660 **or** [rclbr61@mymts.net](mailto:rclbr61@mymts.net)

Spring Craft Sale	Sat, 1 April
Dart Tournament	Sat, 22 April
Fashion Show	Sun, 23 April
Mother's Day Spring Tea (Legion & LA)	Sat, 13 May
Pancake Breakfast	Sat, 20 May
Bud, Spud & Steak	Sat, 20 May
General Meeting	Tue, 23 May
Pancake Breakfast	Sun, 2 July
Boardwalk Days Luncheon (by invitation only)	Sat, 29 July
General Meeting	Tue, 22 August
Fall Supper	Sat, 9 September
Pancake Breakfast	Sat, 16 September
Ladies Auxiliary Trivia Night	Sat, 16 September
Fall Craft Sale	Sat, 23 September
Ladies Auxiliary Ladies Nite Out	Sat, 14 October
Remembrance Day School (by invitation only)	Fri, 10 November
Remembrance Day Legion	Sat, 11 November
Christmas Tea & Bake Sale	Sat, 18 November
Honours & Awards	Sat, 25 November
General Meeting (tentative)	Tues, 28 November
Christmas Craft Sale	Sat, 2 December
Lunch With Santa (Wpg Beach School)	11 & 12 December
Christmas Dinner Pick Up	Fri, 15 December

# Winnipeg Beach Legion



Saturday, April 1, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Canteen

Canteen

20 Hamilton Street  
Winnipeg Beach

For information call:

Legion @ 204-389-2660 or [rclbr61@mymts.net](mailto:rclbr61@mymts.net)

Lorraine @ 204-389-3186 or 1-204-894-3701



# Winnipeg Beach Legion Spring Fashion Show and Dinner

Clothes and Accessories provided by  
Red Apple, Gimli



**April 23, 2023**

*Tickets  
\$15 ea.*

Doors open at 2:30  
Show Begins at 3:00 with  
Dinner to follow!

*50/50  
Draw*

*Cash  
Bar*

**For tickets contact:**

Legion: 204-389-2660

Velma: 204-642-2840

Tickets also available at Red Apple Store in Gimli.

*Everyone in attendance  
will receive a Red Apple  
Coupon for 20% off!*



Winnipeg Beach Legion Br. 61  
and the Ladies Auxiliary

Ukrainian  
Food for  
sale

# Spring Tea and Bake Sale

Silver  
collection at  
door

Silent  
Auction

May 13, 2023  
12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
20 Hamilton Street  
Winnipeg Beach

For information call:

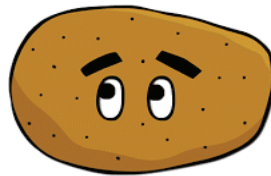
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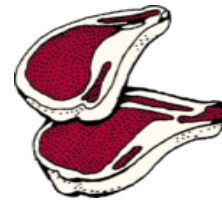
# Winnipeg Beach Legion Fundraiser



**BUD**



**SPUD**



**STEAK**

(chicken avail by pre-order)

**SATURDAY MAY 20, 2023**

Cocktails 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

**Tickets \$35.00**

(Includes a fabulous steak dinner with baked potato, coleslaw, roll and a regular priced beverage of choice!)

**Dance with music by Al**

Call for more information and to order tickets call:

Legion 204-389-2660

Cindy 204-389-3512

Olga 204-641-1112 (after 4:30 pm)

Silent Auction

Meat Draw

50/50 draw

# Ukrainian Food Sale



We are continuing to have your favorite Ukrainian foods for sale!

We have the following items available:

## **Perogies**

*Potato & cheddar: \$25.00* (sold in bags of 5 dozen)

*Sauerkraut: \$30.00* (sold in bags of 5 dozen)

**Cabbage rolls: \$7.00/dozen**

**Perishky: \$7.00/dozen**

**Assorted Fruit & Meat Pies: \$12.00 ea.**

✓ **Apple**

✓ **Cherry**

✓ **Turkey**

✓ **Blueberry**

✓ **Raisin**

✓ **Meat** (ground beef  
& pork)

✓ **Strawberry Rhubarb**

✓ **Saskatoon**

**Call for availability and to make arrangements  
for pick-up**

**Winnipeg Beach Legion  
20 Hamilton Ave.**

To order call or email:

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Velma @ 204-642-2840

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