



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61

Newsletter – October 2023

President's Report

We are busy getting the branch reports done and the school poster and poem certificates printed. I am also organizing the Remembrance Day programs with our Branch Padre, our Sgt at Arms and of course the Poppy Chair. Teresa and Velma will be doing all the computer work for the programs.

October is very busy as the Legion is restarting programs and catching up on making our food products for all the upcoming events.

We attended the district meeting on October 14 in Pine Falls. The credited delegates were Clinton Kennedy and myself.

Our Honours and Awards Dinner will be held on November 25th. Certificates will be presented by the Ways and Means Chair and a plaque given by the Branch President. The Honors and Awards Chairperson awards and pins presentation is also in the works. We will be making turkey pot pies to enable us to give another free meal for this event which we are holding jointly with the Ladies Auxiliary.

I am looking forward to working with our new Ladies Auxiliary President and Executive.

Our Christmas schedule looks very busy. Thank you all in advance for all your help that the Legion will be needing to get all the work done.

Your President,
Cde Lorraine Andrushuk

Executive 2023

President: *Cde Lorraine Andrushuk*

Past President: *Cde Clinton Kennedy*

1st Vice-President: *Cde Velma Darroux*

2nd 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*

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Entertainment, Ways & Means:

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 Chair: *Cde Don 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*

Rentals Chair: *Office*

Sick & Visiting Chairs: *Cde Peggy Kennedy*

& Cde Clinton Kennedy

Branch Chaplain: *Cde Beth McLean*

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Ways and Means

The Chairs of all our committees are busy preparing for the remaining 2023 events. Velma is hard at work making posters, tickets, and all other aspects of publication and preparing the next newsletter.

Our Fall Supper was a success, very stressful with some changes needed for the pickup dinners. We also held a pancake breakfast in September. Thank you to the volunteers who helped at that.

Our Fall craft sale was on September 23rd, and it turned out very well. Thank you to Teresa for stepping in. Also thank you to Gabe, Peggy, Bev, Clint, Al, Helen and Gordon, (and anyone else that I may have missed) for all their hard work.

Teresa is hard at work preparing for our Christmas craft sale on December 2nd.

Bev Self is organizing a perogy bee for October 19th with the potatoes being prepared the evening before. Please contact the Office if you can help. The more hands the easier it is on everyone.

We have a joint Christmas Tea and a bake sale planned for November 18, 2023. We may not be including Ukrainian food, unless there are bees organized to make all the food otherwise it's too much work for only a few to do. It would be the Legion under Bev Self and the Ladies Auxiliary organizing the bees from start to finish. I am looking forward to stepping away from organizing many of these bees and other events. Bev Self will also be organizing with Nadia the sandwich making Thank you both in advance.

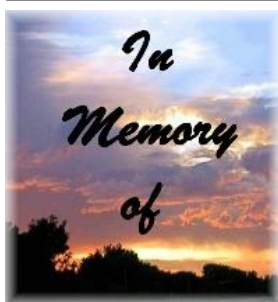
Our Honours and Awards Dinner for the Legion will be on November 25. There will be a turkey pot pie dinner.

The Winnipeg Beach School Christmas Lunch with Santa is set for December 11 and 12. We give the children mitts and toques and a meal. I think all the volunteers enjoy this event the most.

Our Pickup Christmas Dinner will be December 15. Please try to sell some tickets for this to help cover the costs of all the free dinners we provide. Last year we provided 170 free meals to veterans, seniors, and shuts in throughout our community. We have great community support and the Winnipeg Beach Firefighters 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.

We catered a few lunches, a Wedding, an Anniversary, and a Birthday Party to help pay for the new air conditioner, repairs to our floor cleaning equipment, a new kitchen cooler, repairs to our other kitchen cooler, new plumbing equipment and a bug catcher. Thank you to any of our members and community volunteers who helped do all the work for these projects.

Ways and Means Chair, Lorraine Andrushuk



Cde Jim Tomko
Cde Walter Longley

Sick and Visiting Chair's Report:

On September 15th, we attended and served at a memorial service for Cde Jim Tomko. Flowers were declined by the family.

Cdes Peggy and Clinton Kennedy



We have a new email address
effective immediately!
rclbr61@gmail.com

Poppy Report

Winnipeg Beach School Poppy and Poetry awards are planned for October 23rd.

We will be going to local cemeteries soon to install flags on Veteran's graves for Remembrance Day.

Don Sul,
Poppy Chairperson

Sports Chair's Report

Fun Darts ran from February to August. We stopped for a break for the month of September. Darts resumed on October 5th with Legion League Singles, and on October 6th with Fun Darts again for the month of October. We will then decide what day (Thursday or Friday) the league singles will be held.

We have two tournaments booked for December 9th and March 9, 2024. I will contact dart members to see if they would like to represent Branch 61 at the provincials.

Cde Cindy Stewart – Floor Curling,
Cde Olga Mackay – Darts

Cash Calendars

Cash Calendars are available for sale for only \$5 at the Legion and at Legion Events.

The draws will be made on November 25th at the Honours & Awards Dinner.

If you are interested in purchasing calendars, please call the Legion at 204-389-2660.

Newsletter Report

Thank you everyone for your submissions to the newsletter!

I appreciate the time, details, and pictures that you include in your reports.

If there is anything else you would like to see included, please let me know and I'll try my best to include it.

Stay safe until we meet again!

Cde. Velma Darroux



Thank you!



Jim and I would like to thank all those that contributed to Poppy Fund in honour of our birthdays:

Keith & Renee Solinsky
Meredith & Jim Peleck
Ian & Monica Gordon
Jack & Margo Laing
Greg & Dolores Harrop
Sandy & John Bamforth
Al & Mary Nickolson

Tracy Love
Lorraine Andrushuk
Teresa & Alain Beauregard
Clint & Peggy Kennedy
Bev & Albert Self
Margot Haig
Cathy Tymko

Cindy and Jim Stewart

Donations received from May to October 2023

We would like to thank the following people and businesses for their donations to our legion from May to October 2023. We apologize if we have missed any donors. Please let us know if we have not acknowledged your donation to Branch 61 and we will include it in our next newsletter.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Wpg Beach • Jim & Cindy Stewart • Bob Abar • Legion Branch 61 • Branch 61 Ladies Auxiliary • Mary Zulyniak • Tomko Family • Peggy & Clint Kennedy • Nancy & George Heath • Karen Proch • Sandie Williams • Eva Sohan • Linda Shipman • Carol Epps • Andrushuk family • Shelby Hanuschuk • Gimli Pharmasave • Wpg Beach General Store • Molly's Creations • Ladies Auxiliary Gimli Community Health Centre • Olga Mackay • Bev Gabarevic • Darroux Family • Home Hardware Wpg Beach • Vanguard Steel Ltd Wpg • WestRock Company of Canada Wpg • MCM Sales Surrey BC • HP Tergesen & Sons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awards & More Wpg • New Sing Fei Wpg Beach • Harry J Enns Discovery Centre Oak Hammock Marsh • Fort Whyte Alive Wpg • D&L Concrete & Fiberglass Wpg Beach • Beach Boy Gimli • Composite One Wpg • CLD Mini Excavating Clandeboye • Ash Grove Cement Company Toronto • Manitoba Theatre for Young People Wpg • Gimli International Film Festival • Triple M Sales Wpg • Wpg Beach Domo • Gimli Redi Mix • Winnipeg Art Gallery-Qaumajuq • Graham Watson • Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada • Shops of St Andrews • Prairie Theatre Exchange Wpg • Comodo Chinese Restaurant Gimli 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gimli International Film • Sandy Hook Golf Course • Assiniboine Credit Union Wpg • Gimli Pharmasave • Gimli Rona • Kathleen Vandale • Hidden Treasures Gimli • Canadian Museum for Human Rights Wpg • Candy Tokak • Lakeview Resort Hecla Island • Cast Off Wine & Brewing Supplies Gimli • Shoreside GMC Gimli • Wpg Symphony Orchestra • Chudds Power Sports Gimli • Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre Wpg • Netley Creek Golf Course • Selkirk Golf & Country Club • Carlo's Cucina Wpg Beach • Gimli Snowmobile Centre • Petersfield Motor Hotel • Interlake Garden Centre Wpg Beach • Matlock Village Junction • Autopia Winnipeg • Frankies Italian Kitchen & Bar Wpg
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Town of Winnipeg Beach Mayor Pam Jackson presents a \$2500 donation to Legion reps on Canada Day!

Gimli Cadets Presentation and Donation



Remembrance Day at Winnipeg Beach School!



Jim busy making pancakes at the Pancake Breakfast!



Ladies Auxiliary Gimli Community Health Centre donation to our Lunch with Santa!



Winnipeg Beach Legion Br. 61
and Ladies Auxiliary

**Christmas Tea
and
Bake Sale**

Ukrainian
Food for
sale

Silent
Auction

Silver
collection at
door

November 18, 2023
12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

For Information call:

Legion @ 204-389-2660 or rclbr61@gmail.com



THE TRUE
SPIRIT OF
CHRISTMAS
IS LOVE.

Winnipeg Beach Legion Christmas Craft Sale



Saturday, December 2, 2023
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



*Ukrainian Food, Baking, Fresh
Veggies, Honey, Various
Crafts, Canteen and more!*



For information or tables call: 204-389-2660 and leave message.

All events are cash only!



Only \$25
per dinner!

Pre-ordered
Pick up/Take

Homemade
Baking!

Home Christmas Dinner

Please support our Christmas Dinner Initiative by purchasing dinner tickets.

This helps to offset the costs of the 175+ meals that we *deliver free of charge* to our veterans, all residents of the Lodge and Isfeld Manor and shut-ins in and around our community.

Your **pre-order & paid pick-up turkey dinner** comes with all the trimmings and some Christmas baking (donated by the Legion and L.A. members)!

Dinner includes: Roast Turkey, stuffing, gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetables, cabbage rolls, meatballs, coleslaw, bun, condiments and homemade Christmas baking!

Pick up Day: FRIDAY, December 15th, 2023

from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

at the Winnipeg Beach Legion
20 Hamilton Ave.

You can now pay by
e-transfer!
rclbr61@gmail.com

For tickets call or email:

Legion @ rclbr61@gmail.com or 204-389-2660

Velma @ 204-642-2840

Lorraine @ 1-204-894-3701



Winnipeg Beach Legion Br. 61

20 Hamilton Ave.



Ukrainian Food

We are continuing to have your favourite Ukrainian foods for sale:

Perogies (sold in bags of 5 dozen)

- ***potato & cheddar*** – \$35.00
- ***Sauerkraut*** – \$40.00

Cabbage rolls: \$8.00/dozen

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Meat Pies: Large \$14.00 ea. Small \$7.00 ea.

- ***Chicken***
- ***Cheeseburger***
- ***Meat*** (ground beef & pork)

Assorted Fruit Pies: Large \$12.00 ea. Small \$7.00 ea.

- ***Apple***
- ***Cherry***
- ***Strawberry Rhubarb***
- ***Blueberry***
- ***Saskatoon***
- ***Raisin*** (lg. \$14.00 ea.)

Carrot Cake: \$12.00

Squares: \$8.00/dozen

To order call:

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