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2026-27 EXECUTIVE TEAM



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Janet Ciurysek
Sgt at Arms



Morris Brause
Past President



Executive

Beth Abson, Wayne Fortin, Bob Hart, Sue McAree & Brian Robinson

**Your Legion at the Crossroads Serving Veterans & the
Communities of Tecumseh, LaSalle, Windsor & Amherstburg!**

Tom's Humour Page

I just took a **leaflet** out of my mailbox informing me that I can have sex at 73. I'm so happy, because I live at number 71. So, it's not too far to walk home afterwards, and it's the same side of the street. I don't even have to cross the road!

Answering machine message, "I am not available right now but thank you for caring enough to call. I am making some changes in my life. Please leave a message after the beep. If I do not return your call, you are one of the changes."

Frustration is trying to find your glasses without your glasses. The irony of life is that by the time you're old enough to know your way around you're not going anywhere. God made man before woman so as to give him time to think of an answer for her first question. I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one.

A couple go for a meal at a Chinese restaurant and order the 'Chicken Surprise'. The waiter brings the meal, served in a lidded cast iron pot. Just as the wife is about to serve herself, the lid of the pot rises slightly, and she briefly sees two beady little eyes looking around before the lid slams back down. 'Good grief, did you see that?' she asks her husband. He hasn't, so she asks him to look in the pot. He reaches for it and again the lid rises, and he sees two little eyes looking around before it slams down. Rather perturbed, he calls the waiter over, explains what is happening and demands an explanation. 'Please sir,' says the waiter, 'what you order?' The husband replies, 'Chicken Surprise. So sorry,' says the waiter, 'I bring you Peeking Duck'.

His request approved, the **CTV News photographer** quickly used a cell phone to call the local airport to charter a flight. He was told a twin-engine plane would be waiting for him at the airport. Arriving at the airfield, he spotted a plane warming up outside a hanger. He jumped in with his bag, slammed the door shut, and shouted, 'Let's go'. The pilot taxied out, swung the plane into the wind and took off. Once in the air, the photographer instructed the pilot, 'Fly over the

valley and make low passes so I can take pictures of the fires on the hillsides.' 'Why?' asked the pilot. 'Because I'm a photographer for CTV Cable News,' he responded. 'And I need to get some close-up shots.' The pilot was strangely silent for a moment, finally he stammered, 'So, what you're telling me, is . . . you're NOT my flight instructor?'

Golf Rule 1.a.5 A ball sliced or hooked into the rough shall be lifted and placed on the fairway at a point equal to the distance it carried or rolled into the rough with no penalty. The senior should not be penalized for tall grass which ground keepers failed to mow. **Rule 2.d.6 (b)** A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed not to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck, and luck has no place in a scientific game. The senior player must estimate the distance the ball would have traveled if it had not hit the tree and play the ball from there. **Rule 3.b.3(g)** There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course and will eventually be found and pocketed by someone else, making it a stolen ball. The player is not to compound the felony by charging himself or herself with a penalty. **Rule 4.c.7(h)** If a putt passes over a hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The law of gravity supersedes the Rules of Golf. **Rule 5.** Putts that stop close enough to the cup that they could be blown in, may be blown in. This does not apply to balls more than three inches from the hole. No one wants to make a travesty of the game. **Rule 6.a.9(k)** There is no penalty for so-called "out of bounds." If penny pinching golf course owners bought sufficient land, this would not occur. The senior golfer deserves an apology, not a penalty. **Rule 7.g.15(z)** There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Senior golfers should not be penalized for manufacturers' shortcomings. **Rule 8.k.9(s)** Advertisements claim that golf scores can be improved by purchasing new golf equipment. Since this is financially impractical for many senior golfers, one-half stroke per hole may be subtracted for using old equipment.

Please keep sending your humour to me at tomfriesen57@gmail.com

Tom Friesen, Newsletter Editor

Royal Canadian Legion Metropolitan Branch 594

Executive

<u>Position</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
President	Jim McGhie	519-979-8904
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First Vice President	David Woodman	519-566-8745
Second Vice President	Konrad Boehler	519-966-7794
Third Vice President	Randy Soulliere	226-280-2591
Sergeant-at-Arms	Janet Ciurysek	226-280-7661
<i>Secretary/Treasurer</i>	<i>John Antaya</i>	<i>519-965-0580</i>
Executive Committee	Beth Abson	519-980-9639
Executive Committee	Wayne Fortin	519-300-5357
Executive Committee	Bob Hart	519-984-1544
Executive Committee	Susan McAree	226-348-6215
Executive Committee	Brian Robinson	519-734-1086
<i>Recording Secretary</i>	<i>Fran Friesen</i>	<i>519-948-1259</i>

Standing Committee Chairs. IN REVIEW FOR 2026-27

	Name	Phone Number
<i>Branch Chaplain</i>	<i>Rev Stan Fraser</i>	
<i>Leadership Training</i>	<i>Konrad Boehler</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Membership</i>	<i>Brian Robinson</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Poppy</i>	<i>Gerry Ciurysek</i>	<i>519-817-3604</i>
<i>Public Relations Officer</i>	<i>Dave Woodman</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Sr Committee Co-Chair</i>	<i>Sue Robinson</i>	<i>519-734-1086</i>
<i>Sr Committee Co-Chair</i>	<i>Beth Abson</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Sports Officer</i>	<i>Wayne Fortin</i>	<i>519-300-5357</i>
<i>Track and Field Officer</i>	<i>Jeff Morrell</i>	<i>226-340-2827</i>
<i>Youth Ed and Bursary</i>	<i>Tom Friesen</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Veterans Services</i>	<i>David Woodman</i>	<i>519-566-8745</i>
<i>Veterans Services Mentor</i>	<i>Archie Neilson</i>	<i>519-890-4959</i>

Special Committee Chairpersons IN REVIEW FOR 2026-27

Position	Name	Phone Number
<i>Bar</i>	<i>Morris Brause</i>	<i>519-965-0749</i>
<i>Branch Property (In/Out)</i>	<i>Randy Soulliere</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Colour Party Commander</i>	<i>David Woodman</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Constitution and Laws</i>	<i>Konrad Boehler</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Entertainment</i>	<i>Bob Hart</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Finance Committee</i>	<i>John Antaya</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Finance Review Cmte</i>	<i>James Sparrow</i>	<i>519-978-2806</i>
<i>Honours and Awards</i>	<i>Konrad Boehler</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Kitchen Convenor</i>	<i>Randy Soulliere</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Legion Riders</i>	<i>Kenny Miller</i>	<i>313-289-8164</i>
<i>Legion Week</i>	<i>Konrad Boehler</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Lottery</i>	<i>Beth Abson</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Military Service Recognition Bk</i>	<i>Tom Friesen</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Remembrance Branch</i>	<i>Konrad Boehler</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Ways and Means</i>	<i>Veronica Friesen</i>	<i>519-992-8384</i>

Stand Alone & Liason

<i>Army Cadet Liaison</i>	<i>Jim McGhie</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Face Book Page Coordinator</i>	<i>David Woodman</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Newsletter Editor</i>	<i>Tom Friesen</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Parkwood Institute Liaison</i>	<i>Dave Woodman</i>	<i>see above</i>
<i>Pool Tables</i>	<i>John Greer</i>	<i>519-915-6140</i>
<i>Volunteer Coordinator</i>	<i>Susan McAree</i>	<i>See Above</i>
<i>Webmaster</i>	<i>Brian Robinson</i>	<i>See Above</i>
<i>Windsor Veterans Memorial SC</i>	<i>Bob Hart</i>	<i>See Above</i>

Billie's Bunker Kitchen

Kitchen Operator	Billie Jo Zacher	226-347-1646
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

A big thank you to all of the volunteers who came out on Saturday May 2nd to lay mulch in the gardens. The mulch will definitely keep the weeds under control and the gardens looking great!



On May 3rd we held our annual Honours & Awards ceremony at the branch with over 70 members and guests attending.

Special congratulations to Brian Robinson who was awarded the prestigious “Legionnaire of the Year” and to David Woodman who was awarded the Branch Service Medal. We also celebrated the 65th anniversary of the founding of Metropolitan Branch 594 on May 3, 1961, with cake and coffee.

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday May 31st, and the incoming Branch 594 Executive Team was sworn in ready to start their duties on June 1st. Special thanks to the outgoing team and welcome to our new branch Executive Team. Your volunteer efforts serving the Legion our Veterans and the community our greatly appreciated!

<u>Royal Canadian Legion Metropolitan Branch 594</u>	
<u>Elected Leadership Team</u>	
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Jim McGhie, President,
Branch 594 Royal Canadian Legion

BRANCH MEETINGS

*Your Branch executive, committees and the Bunker Kitchen work very hard on your behalf.
The following is just a few of the meetings that will be held in June*

Operations, Kitchen and Finance Every Monday at 10am
Committee meetings as scheduled by Chairs
Branch Executive and Chairs 10am Tuesday June 16th 10AM
General Membership Meeting Tuesday June 23rd 7PM

MEMBERSHIP

Chair Brian Robinson

As of May 31st, 2026, we have a Membership of 905!

Life 8, Ordinary 136, Associate 309, Affiliate Voting 123, Affiliate Non-Voting 2, & 327 Centenary. *Centenary Members who indicated Ordinary are not included in regular Ordinary numbers.*

I use CN-Ordinary to distinguish those members. Breakdown of Centenary: Ordinary 26, Associate 187, Affiliate Voting 113, Affiliate Non-Voting: 1

Centenary Members who have been placed in regular categories have a vote at meetings except Affiliate Non-Voting (AN).

Note the list keeps growing and may reach 1,000 this year!

A BIG BRANCH 594 WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Susan Bassett-Gold, CN, Cheryl Beahan, CN AS, Ed Bondy, CN, Darrell Corbin, CN AS, Margaret Doran, CN AV, Jacqueline Eulenhaupt, CN AS, Jodie Ferguson, CN AS, Donita Gelinis, CN AS, Dave Grenier, CN AS, Patty Handysides, CN AV, *Penny Hanan*, CN AV, *Roy John James*, CN AS, *Brian Andrew Keddie*, CN OR, *Maliu Keddie*, CN AS, Nicolas Kienast, CN AV, Sheley Kipfer, CN AS, Eugene Lapczuk, CN AV, *Yvonne MacLellan*, CN AS, Gina Marcon, CN AV, *Bruce O'Callahan*, CN AV, James O'Dwyer, CN AS, Sandy Quinn, CN AS, Nora Romero, CN AV, Salvatore Siino, CN ANV, *Tyler Smith*, CN OR. Kimberly Souligny, CN AV, Monique Spinarsky, CN, *David Stamcof*, CN AS, Laurie Thomas, CN AS, Steve Thomas, CN AV, and Maureen Tramontozzi, CN AV.

Those in italics were sworn in and warmly welcomed to the branch.

ALL Centenary members must provide information to determine if they are "Ordinary", "Associate", "Affiliate" or Affiliate Non-Voting".

Note: Centenary members are NOT eligible for the countrywide draw for a new Ford F-150 until they pay for 2027. Once Centenary members are classified (Ordinary, Associate, Affiliate) they are then eligible to Vote at Legion meetings including Nominations and Elections. After being a member for one year you can stand for an elected office! WE NEED TO TALK TO YOU!

We are setting up a phone committee to call all Centenary members to get this information.

A script will be provided to ensure you know what to ask for.



**Sworn in / Welcomed to Branch
594 at the May 31st membership
meeting.**

*Penny Hanan, CN AV, Roy John
James, CN AS, Brian Andrew Keddie,
CN OR, Maliu Keddie, CN AS,
Yvonne MacLellan, CN AS, Bruce
O'Callahan, CN AV, Tyler Smith, CN
OR, David Stamcof, CN AS.*

To Help contact Branch 594 membership chair Brian Robinson at membershipbr594@gmail.com

***Note Legion Ontario Command Fees have been increased to support
the many services they provide to our Veterans, Branches and
Communities. Branch 594 has decided NOT to pass these costs on to
membership for 2026!***

Renewals for 2026 Dues at Branch: Retired \$55.00, Working \$60

ALL Renewals for 2026 Dues Online \$64.00

Those with digital member cards do not get stickers they will get an email with a link!

2026 Membership Centenary Stickers have been mailed to most members.

MEMBERSHIP OFFER #1

**The Legion is pleased to extend a 1-Year
Free Membership for Veterans AND their Families.**

The Veteran Family Welcome Program is open to spouses and adult children of CAF or RCMP serving members and Veterans who have not yet joined the Legion. This program is a great way to get to know the organization and share your support for Canada's Veterans.

Being a Legion member offers opportunities to improve the lives of those who served, remember the Fallen, and support your community — and every member makes a difference. To get more involved with Legion activities in your community and to add your voice to our advocacy efforts and the future of the Legion, apply through Dominion Command's Veteran Welcome Program and bring your membership card to any Legion Branch to request a transfer to that Branch.

To apply, please complete the Veteran Welcome Program
Registration Forms, at the Branch or online at <http://www.legion.ca/welcome>

Brian Robinson, Membership Chair

Changed your address, phone number, email address?

Please send changes, by email to: membershipbr594@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP OFFER #2

Join The Royal Canadian Legion Free for 2026

In honour of the Legion's 100th anniversary, anyone 18 years of age and older can **join free for the 2026 membership year** (January through December).

NEW MEMBERS ONLY

This is more than a membership — it's joining a community dedicated to supporting Veterans, honouring our shared history, and helping carry the Legion forward into its next century.



Centenary sweepstakes for members: Ford Dealers of Canada offer Grand Prize
OTTAWA, ON, 25 November 2025 – For nearly a century, The Royal Canadian Legion has been a voice for Veterans and families needing support, and a beloved fixture in hundreds of communities across the country. The organization is on the cusp of celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2026, with the launch of its centenary branding which will be on display throughout its birthday year.

“We are honoured to still be going strong, one hundred years after our founders first built this incredible organization, with a central mission to serve Canada’s Veterans,” says Berkley Lawrence, Dominion President. “As we look forward to 2026, we hope Canadians from around this great nation will join us not only to celebrate but to become part of our next 100 years.”

The Legion is pleased to announce Ford Dealers of Canada as the Official Partner of The Royal Canadian Legion centenary throughout 2026. As part of their significant support, Ford Dealers of Canada will present the Grand Prize of a brand-new 2026 Ford F-150 STX to the winner of the Legion’s centenary sweepstakes called the “*Legion 100 Win Big Giveaway*.” Legion members are welcome to enter the sweepstakes, which begins on November 25, 2025, and runs through December 19, 2026. The sweepstakes will help build excitement surrounding the Legion’s 100 years of serving Veterans and their families.



Ford Dealers of Canada
Official Partner of The Royal Canadian Legion

“Ford has been operating in Canada for 121 years, and that shared legacy is why Ford Dealers of Canada are

partnering with The Royal Canadian Legion to honour Veterans, support military families, and strengthen communities across the country,” says Paul Morrison, Chairperson of the National Ford Dealers Advertising Association. “We’re proud to bring Canada-wide support to celebrate the people behind the Poppy, amplify the Legion’s mission, and demonstrate our shared commitment to giving back year-round.”



ELIGIBILITY (as per Legion.ca)

- **Current 2025 Members:** Current paid 2025 members must renew for 2026 to be automatically entered.
- **Pre-paid 2026 New Members:** Any new member who paid in 2025 to join for the 2026 year is automatically entered.
- **New 2026 Members:** Those who join in 2026 must renew for 2027 to be automatically entered.
- **Lifetime Members** are automatically entered.

CHAPLAINS REPORT

RCL Branch 594

Rev Stan Fraser is our New Branch Padre!

Welcome back Padre Stan! “Padrestan@outlook.com”

HOSPITAL

We request that members or their families contact **Sandra Rocheleau** the branch if you are hospitalized and would like us to post your name and possible visitation or flowers.

Please contact us in person or through email, website, or a note in the comment box in the lobby.

Note we can only report after families give us permission.

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Antaya, Treasurer

I am happy to report that the Month of April was profitable, and the bar continues to profit nicely each month.

Repairs and maintenance continue to be high, but we did get some payment relief thanks to our volunteers who go out and support the Power Play Bingo in Lakeshore.

The bank balance continues to increase monthly, and we look forward to investing some extra income again this year for that up-and-coming rainy day, we know will arrive.

Thank you for supporting the different activities at the Branch.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

James Sparrow, Chair

I attended, along with our Treasurer, the District A Finance Seminar in Ridgetown May 24. Approximately 70 were in attendance. The meeting was productive and basically covered the "do's and don'ts " for Finance Review Committees and Finance Committees. Our Branch is in good shape when it comes to what we should or shouldn't be doing. The next Financial Review Committee is on Thursday June 25th at 10:00 a.m.. Note the change of date and time.

VETERANS SERVICES

Dave Woodman, Branch 594 Veteran Service Officer

Susan McAree, Br 594 Backup Service Officer

Archie Neilson, Veteran Service Officer Mentor

A: There is now a collection bin in the foyer for the **Caring Cupboard**. A food bank for veterans and serving military personnel in need. We have made several donations to the Caring Cupboard. The cupboard requires replenishing frequently due to high usage. Many of our reserve soldiers and Sailors are university students living paycheck to paycheck and living several people to an apartment to share costs. Many thanks to those who have donated to the Caring Cupboard.

B: Met Hospital, Hotel Dieu Grace, Erie Shores Healthcare Hospice and Huron Lodge are all actively pursuing grants from **Ontario Command Branches and The Lady's Auxiliary Legion Charitable foundation**. I have maintained open communication with their representatives to offer any assistance they may need completing the application.

C: The latest **Buddy Check Coffee** went very well. The next meeting is 9:30AM Saturday June 27th at Branch 594.

Vet Build, a bird house building session was held and hope to try a model building program.

D. Representatives from the **London Service Bureau will visited the branch on 06 August** to discuss VAC issues with those who make an appointment to see her.

E) A **Veterans EXPO** will take place on August 6th, 2026, between 10:00am and 4:00pm. Exhibitors are welcome to bring literature about their organization and even promotional items to sell or distribute, the E&K Association kit shop would be an example of this. Exhibitors should be prepared to discuss in detail the services that their organization can provide. There is NO cost to your organization.

Branch 594 had a similar, but smaller scale, event in March of this year and it was a great success. The EXPO is scheduled around the visit from the London Service Bureau that assists with Veterans Affairs claims. Reserve units are welcome to use this event as a recruiting opportunity.

Below are listed the invitees we hope to see at the EXPO.

London Service Bureau
Veterans Affairs Canada
HMCS Hunter
31 Brigade Group
Windsor Veterans Memorial Service Committee
The Military Family Resource Centre
The Occupational Stress Injury Support Services
Veterans Transition Network
Help For Heroes (Service Dogs)
The Military Institute of Windsor
Royal Canadian Naval Association
Wounded Warriors Canada

Canadian Aviation Museum
The Royal Canadian Legion
University of Windsor
St. Clair College
Members of Parliament
Members of Provincial Parliament
4H Homelessness Help Hub
Ed Ruckle
Corporal For Life Apparel
John Swizoski Engraving
MIW Kit Shop
E&K Kit Shop
Barry Craig Glass Engraving

F. I am in discussions with a veteran that works at Windsor Regional Metropolitan Hospital about possibly having a mural in the new (Mega) Hospital honouring veterans and starting a system to identify patients that are veterans and treat them accordance with any special needs that they may have.

G. The **Shoe box/care package project** will be repeated next year or when Windsor Essex deploys more troops overseas.

H. I have visited with a service dog trainer in Kingsville along with Members of **Help for Heroes** and believe I have located a viable source of service dogs for veterans in Southwest Ontario. One local veteran has already received a dog. I will be exploring funding options to support this dog trainer.



D-DAY
COMMEMORATION EVENT

KINGSVILLE MILITARY MUSEUM
SATURDAY 6TH JUNE 2026 | 9AM - 4PM

Join us for a Commemoration Ceremony at 10:00 AM,
with extended opening hours until 4:00 PM

145 Division St. S.
Kingsville, ON
entrance by the Canadian Legion Branch 188

KINGSVILLE
MILITARY MUSEUM

Buddy Check Coffee

Club

PTSD/OSI Peer

Support

Please join us at RCL Br. 594

Veterans' PTSD/OSI Peer Support Coffee
Hour

**Supportive, Confidential, Frank,
Conversations**

**and Fellowship
Coffee and Snacks
Provided**

**Saturday June 27th
9:30am**

Dave Woodman, CD

Veterans' Service Officer

dfwoodman@gmail.com

519-566-8745



OTHER VETERAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

The **Soldiers' Aid Commission** provides financial assistance to eligible Ontario Veterans and their dependents. **Up to \$3,000 per 12-month period** is available to help cover essential needs such as food, shelter, clothing, health-related items, and other urgent expenses. If you are aware of a Veteran or dependent who may benefit from this support, please let me know. <https://www.ontario.ca/page/soldiers-aid-commission>

Other Ways to Get Help **Veterans Affairs Canada** 1-866-522-2122 Canadian Forces Members Assistance Program 1 800-268-7708 (For Serving Members) Operational Stress Injury Social Support 1-800-883-6094 Tema Conter Memorial Trust 1-888-288 8036 (For First Responders)

Wounded Warriors Canada 1-888-706-4808 Soldier On 1-800-883-6094

If anyone knows of a Veteran in need, please let the branch know. All information and questions brought to the Branch Veteran's Services Officer are held in the strictest confidence.

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Parkwood Institute

Liaison Com D. Woodman

Parkwood currently has 67 Veterans in the program

- They have an 80-bed capacity in the program. 4 Veterans pass away in the last 3 months.
- A Contract Veteran served overseas in WWII or Korea for Canada.
- Parkwood Currently has 14 Contract veterans
- A Preferred Veteran did not serve overseas during WWII or Korea.
- Parkwood Currently has 53 Preferred Veterans
- Parkwood currently does not have any Veterans interested in sponsorship, but if you reach out to Samantha Moore at Parkwood, they can add the Branch and name of contact to their list.
- St. Joseph's Health Care London's Palliative Care Unit at Parkwood Institute Main Building sustained water damage that required patients to be transferred to another area within the building.
As a result, patients from St. Joseph's Amputee Rehabilitation Program were transferred to beds in the Veterans Care Program. This move is to ensure that all impacted patients receive the appropriate level of care.
- Please note that these patients will be supported by the Amputee Clinical Team.
- **The Spring Fling was on April 25th, Summer Carnival is on August 8th and Oktoberfest is on October 24th Contact Dave Woodman if you plan to attend any of these events.**

Windsor Garrison **CARING CUPBOARD**

Many of our military personnel, like everyone else, are experiencing financial hardship.

Many are dependant on food banks.

The Royal Canadian Legion in cooperation with the Maj. F.A. Tilston VC Armouries have created a

CARING CUPBOARD **Food Bank**

To assist our reserve Soldiers and Sailors who have served out country so selflessly.

Your donation of nonperishable food items are greatly appreciated.

There is a donation bin located at Legion Branch 594
5030 Howard Ave.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



STUFF THE BUS

June 13th & 14th 11am – 5pm

at

Tony and Kathy's NoFrills

5050 Tecumseh Rd E (Westminster Plaza)

**All donations support the Military Family Resource Centre Caring
Cupboards**

Food Pantries supporting serving military and their families.

Specific needs are:

- Canned soups, fruits and vegetables**
- Protein bars and shelf stable drinks**
 - Peanut Butter and Jam**
 - Coffee and Tea**
 - Pancake mix and syrup**
 - Canned pasta and sauce**
 - Dry pasta and instant noodles**
 - Prepaid grocery cards**

Monetary Donations can be made To
Southwestern Ontario military Family Resource
Center at Canadahelps.org





Remembering our veterans with respect and dignity.

The **Arbor Alliance Program** supports Legion members and their families through thoughtful pre-planning and exclusive savings.

Eligible participants receive:

- **10% savings** on funeral arrangements and interment rights for themselves and their immediate family
- **5% savings** on memorialization arrangements when paid for at the time of need

To help you access these benefits, **meet Carolyn, your local pre-planning partner for the Arbor Alliance Program.** She works with you to plan, protect your family, and ensure your wishes are honoured.

Get started with a FREE Planning Kit
519-969-1123



Carolyn Roberts
CRoberts@arbormemorial.com
Licensed Cemetery and Funeral
Pre-Planner



Victoria Greenlawn
Funeral Home & Cemetery
by Arbor Memorial
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Arbor Memorial Inc.

MILITARY SERVICE **RECOGNITION BOOK**

Tom Friesen, Branch 594 Coordinator

The Royal Canadian Legion - Ontario Command Honour Our Heroes: Share Their Story The Royal Canadian Legion – Ontario Command is proud to launch the 14th Annual Edition of its Military Service Recognition Book (MSRB), a powerful tribute to the Veterans who helped build and defend our nation.

Each edition shares the personal stories and photographs of Ontario's Veterans, preserving their legacy for future generations and reinforcing our role as the Keepers of Remembrance.

We're now collecting submissions for the 14th Edition, and we need your help. If you have a loved one - past or present - who served in the Canadian Armed Forces, we invite you to share their story.

Visit your local Legion Branch to learn how to submit a photo, biography, or memory for inclusion.

Deadline for submissions at the Branch May 8th, 2027, so the Branch can get to Ontario Command in time.

The 12th Edition of the book (2025 edition) is available online at www.on.legion.ca/remembrance/military-service-recognition-book and some hard copies at Legion Branch 594 and.

To support this project, Fenety Marketing will be conducting a telephone campaign on our behalf, offering individuals and businesses the opportunity to donate or advertise in the upcoming book.

Proceeds support Veterans Transition Programs, helping those facing daily challenges after service.

For more information, contact: Ontario Command Office – MSRB Program Toll Free Number: 1-855-845-VETS (8387) Email: info@on.legion.ca Website: www.on.legion.ca

Because every Veteran has a story - and every story deserves to be told.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION – MILITARY SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK

TYPICAL VETERAN INTERVIEW FORM

Veteran's Full Name:

Preferred Name/Nickname:

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Residence at Time of Enlistment:

Branch of Service:

Service Number (optional):

Date of Enlistment:

Date of Discharge:

Rank at Enlistment:

Rank at Discharge:

Units/Ships/Regiments/Squadrons:

Training Locations:

Stations/Bases/Ships Served On:

Primary Duties/Role:

Overseas Service (locations and dates):

Medals, Awards, or Commendations:

Notable Missions or Experiences:

Post-Service Career:

Education or Training After Service:

Community Involvement:

Legion Membership (Branch #):

Personal Reflections:

Message for Future Generations:

Photo Provided: Yes / No

Additional Documents or Artifacts: Yes /
No

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Com K. Boehler Chair

On Sunday May 3, 2026, Branch 594 held its annual Honours and Awards Ceremony. The Branch sent out 90 invitations to members who are eligible for their various Service Year Pins.

We had 23 members and families attend for a wonderful afternoon of comradeship.

There were also 27 members of the Branch Executives and Volunteers present. A light lunch was served after the presentations to be enjoyed by all.

I would at this time like to thank the Honours and Awards Committee and all those who assisted in making this an enjoyable afternoon along with the kitchen staff for the lunch.

The following are the Branch continuous service pins presented:

Five (5) Year Pins Ten (10) Year Pins Fifteen (15) Year Pins

Ordinary – 1 Associate - 2 Ordinary - 3

Associate – 7 Affiliate - 2 Associate – 1

Affiliate – 3

Thirty (30) Year Pins Thirty-Five (35) Year Pins Forty (40) Year Pins

Associate – 1 Associate – 1 Ordinary – 1

Fifty (50) Year Pins/Medal

Ordinary – 1

We presented the **Legionnaire of Year to Brian Robinson** for his outstanding dedication and work that he does in numerous different positions and volunteering.

We presented one (1) **Branch Service Medal as special recognition to Dave Woodman** for the significant work that he has done and continues to do.

We presented two (2) Certificates of Appreciation, and two (2) Certificates of Merit at our April General Membership meeting.

We will be presenting three (3) Certificates of Appreciation in September and four (4) Certificates of Appreciation in October.

The following executive medals and bars will be presented at our September 2026 General Membership meeting: Past Presidents Medal and Pin, One (1) Public Relations Bar.

President Jim McGhie acknowledged Branch 594's sixty-fifth (65) anniversary May 3, 2026.

First Vice President Morris Brause acknowledged the Battle of the Atlantic. Much appreciated by our Naval Veterans. Will try to avoid conflict of dates next year.

Please visit our website at rcl594.com to see the pictures from our Honours and Awards Ceremony

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YOUTH EDUCATION

Chair Tom Friesen

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION ***Provincial Public Speaking Competition***

There are 8 Districts in the Province of Ontario representing approximately 400 Branches. The 2026 Provincial Public Speaking competition held on May 2, 2026, at Branch #137, Napanee. Results will become official in the near future, but rumour has it that Salma Adams from Glenwood did very well.

BURSARY

Chair Tom Friesen

The 2026 Branch 594 Bursary applications are now available at the Bar in the "Veterans & Community Lounge".

2026 Branch Bursary Guidelines

The Royal Canadian Legion Metropolitan Branch 594 (RCL 594) Bursary (25 maximum) is designed to assist the students entering or continuing post-secondary education with the goal of obtaining a recognized degree, diploma, or certificate. Approved Bursary assistance is not based upon scholastic standing, but rather on the successful completion of the current year of study and the recommendation by the RCL 594 Bursary Committee.

The RCL 594 Poppy Fund account funds this program and it is an honour that is bestowed onto the applicant and is neither a right nor privilege.

Students applying for a RCL 594 Bursary may be granted up to \$1,000 per scholastic year as determined by the RCL 594 Bursary Committee.

Please read this carefully and follow the guidelines. All information is strictly confidential.

Eligibility:

To be eligible for bursary funds, the student must be enrolled in a recognized full-time post-secondary school or apprenticeship program and be:

1. An Ordinary or Life Member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594, their spouse or the child, grandchild, or great grandchild.

OR

2. An Associate Member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594, or the child of an Associate Member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594.
Stepchildren and step grandchildren are recognized the same as children and grandchildren and considered where applicable.

AND

3. Sponsors must be a member of Royal Canadian Legion Metropolitan Branch 594 and in good standing for a minimum of two consecutive years and must have their RCL 594 dues paid for the current year.

NOTE: Affiliate Voting & Affiliate Non-Voting members are NOT ELIGIBLE.

Applications:

1. Applications must be completed and returned (mailed or delivered) no later than Sept 11, 2026.
2. Official proof of enrollment via "Official Document from the Registrar".
3. A student who is awarded a Bursary is to attend a formal presentation at our General Membership meeting on Tuesday October 27th, 2026.
If the student is not available, they may be represented by a relative.
4. The Bursary Committee reserves the right to authenticate all information pertaining to this application.
5. The applicant and sponsor agree to have their picture & names posted on Royal Canadian Legion social media sites.

The 2025/26 Ontario Command Branches and Ladies' Auxiliaries Charitable Foundation Bursary
The 2027 bursary will open in the fall.

*Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594 Youth Education & Bursary Committees:
Tom Friesen (chair), Beth Abson, Tom Boroski, Morris Brause, Gerry Ciurysek, Jim McGhie, and
Dave Woodman.*

PROPERTY

Com Randy Soulliere, Property Chair.

A big thank you goes out to all those that volunteered to prep all the beds around the branch and to spread the mulch around.

Five more yards of mulch has been delivered to complete the flower beds along the east wall of the building (behind the building) was finished Sunday morning by 2 of my sons.

Thanks go out to comrade Gerry Ciurysek for his help in attaching the metal strips to the partition wall this past week. This is now complete.

We have awarded a contract to Tyger Mechanical Solutions Inc in the amount of to provide preventative maintenance once in the spring and once in the fall on all of our refrigeration equipment which includes the walk in beer cooler, the walk in refrigerator in the kitchen, the walk in freezer in the kitchen, the ice machine, the glass chiller, both 4 door beer coolers and the under counter fridge in the kitchen. Tyger mechanical will now serve as our go to supplier for any repairs needed on the listed equipment.

We have awarded a contract to Cooke Mechanical Inc to provide twice yearly preventative maintenance on all of our kitchen equipment which includes the char broiler, the griddle with oven, double convection ovens, the 10 burner range with double oven, the tilt kettle, the deep

fryers, and the Broaster. Cooke Mechanical Inc will now serve as our go to supplier for any repairs needed on the listed equipment

Many thanks to all of our comrades for their continued efforts in keeping up with the many items that come up each and every week.

Many thanks to all the volunteers for their efforts to maintain the property on a daily basis.

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10AM - 2PM

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KITCHEN REPORT

Comrade Randy Soulliere Kitchen Convenor

Weekly food specials are emailed to those we have in our data base. If you don't receive an email please email metrolegion594@gmail.com and we will add you to our list.

The 2 for 1 Chicken Wings special is every Wednesday and Thursday.

Golfers, Pickle & Base Ballers... bring in your same day receipt from the pro shop any day of the week and enjoy 2 for 1 Chicken Wings or a 2 for 1 Legion Burger (eat in only and only valid on the day of receipt).

The Bunker Kitchen has updated their menu with some great new food options and favorites from the past!

Preventative maintenance contracts have been awarded to keep our Kitchen equipment in top shape.

Our kitchen continues to provide high quality meals and excellent service to our customers.

Just a reminder that the bunker does offer takeout services as well as catering services for your outside events. Give Billie or Kim a call (226-347-1646) and see what they can do for you.

Thanks to all for your support.



KITCHEN HOURS

Sundays from Noon – 5 pm

Monday-Tuesday-

Wednesday Noon – 7pm

Thursday-Friday Noon – 8pm

Saturday Noon – 7pm

Please share info about our kitchen on social media.

We hope to see you at Legion Br 594!

Just a reminder that the Bunker does offer **Takeout** as well as **Catering** for your outside events.

Give Billie or Kim a call our NEW NUMBER (226-347-1646)!



WAYS & MEANS

Veronica Friesen, Ways & Means Chair

The Branch welcomed 355 folks to the two spaghetti dinners of held May 5th and 19th. We have now served over 3356 people since September.

There are only 2 spaghetti dinners left in the season and the attendance seems to be a strong as ever. The spaghetti dinners continue to be a very good fundraiser for the Branch and a great way to bring folks, friends and families together to enjoy an exceptionally priced, good, wholesome dinner and no mess to clean up.

The financial result for May is in the chart below:

May 2026	MAY 5	MAY 19	2026 MAY TOTALS
Numbers Served	204	151	355
Total Sales	\$1, 991.00	\$1, 470.00	\$3, 461.00
Total Expenses	\$939.34	\$568.87	\$1, 508.21
Net Sales	\$1, 051.66	\$901.13	\$1, 952.79
Inventory			\$900.00
Net Revenue for May 2026			\$2, 852.79

The following chart shows the revenue, expenses and numbers served since September when we started the season:

2025-2026	To Date Total
Numbers Served	3356
Total Sales	\$33, 119.00
Total Expenses	\$13, 568.36
Total Sales	\$19, 550.64
Inventory	\$900.00
Net Revenue	\$20, 450.64



SPAGHETTI DINNER
"ALL YOU CAN EAT"
 Spaghetti with Rich Tomato Basil Meat Sauce,
 Fresh Garden Salad, Dinner Roll & Butter
 Served 4:30 till 6:30
"Vegetarian & Gluten Free on Request"
Tuesdays: June 2 & 16 (Cake Day)
Royal Canadian Legion Br 594, 5030 Howard Ave

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Even though the product costs have increased, we try to purchase products when on sale to keep our costs as low as possible.

A huge thank you goes out to all our volunteers and patrons who make these events so successful. We could not achieve such success without their dedication.

Next Spaghetti Dinners are June 2nd & June 16th.

This last Spaghetti of the season (June 16th) will feature coffee and cake.

**JUNE SPAGHETTI
 DATES
 TUESDAY JUNE 2ND**

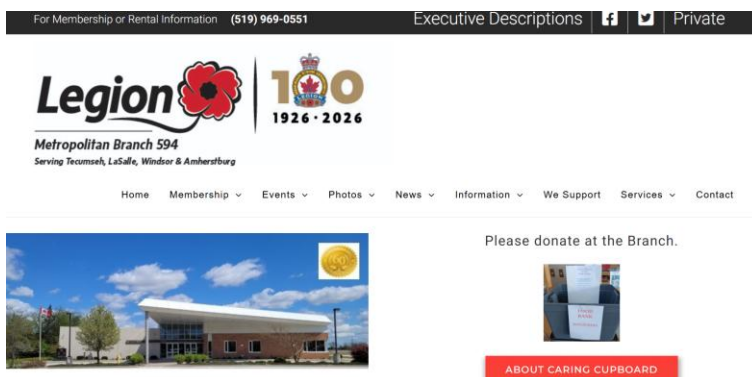
WEBSITE

www.rcl594.com

On our website, you can find the History of Branch 594, Current and Future Events, Services we offer from Room Rentals to Food Services, Sports Events, Policies and Procedures, Volunteer opportunities... Check it out

www.rcl594.com

Comrade Brian Robinson, webmaster



FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/rclbranch594>

Facebook page is updated as required.

Please submit your post to dfwoodman@gmail.com.

SPORTS

Com Wayne Fortin Sports Officer

Our Legion Sports are open to Everyone – Come Join Us

Darts Tuesday Night Doubles League
Wednesday Night Men's League
Thursday Night L.O.D. Dart Play
Friday Night Mixed League
Saturday Night 1 League
Saturday Night 2 League
Sunday Noon Singles League

Pool: Monday Night Mixed 8Ball League
Thursday Night L.O.D. Play

Bridge: Monday Afternoons

Pepper: Tuesday Afternoons

L.O.D. (means)

Teams are made from those who show up to play.

One of our Saturday night Dart Players has raised \$600.00 for new dartboards!!!

The **Monday Night Mixed Pool League** has ended for the summer. As Bill Anderson who runs the league handed out prize money to everyone at the same time, he also took up a collection for the Poppy Campaign. He had one player who didn't want to be recognized, donate all of his prize money. On behalf of the Legion, Beth Abson and I received \$375. from Bill. A big thank you to all the pool players for their generosity.

Cards: We are looking to see if there is any interest from Euchre Players to play Monday evenings at 7:00pm. It would be 5 dollars with 100% pay out in prize money. Looking to start in September.

Note: Friday, Saturday and Sunday Dart Leagues are finished until September...So, the Dart Boards are available on most days of the week to anyone interested in coming out and using them.

Zone A1 Sports (Legion Members Only)

Our Zone Golf Tournament was rained out and rescheduled to Sunday June 7th. We have 17 teams signed up. Our Branch is the host Branch this year. The 2026 Low Regular division team will host the 2027 event.

District A Sports (Members who Qualify at Zone)

District 9Ball Doubles took place on May 2nd. Brad Binder/Jim Collard and Harry Bissonnette/Lou Driessen represented our Branch and were not successful but had a lot of fun.

Monthly Pool Tournament

The May Tournament took place on the 24th of May. Congratulations to the following. 1st place was Andre Bilek/Norma Brosse, 2nd place was Adrian and Heather Tomkins, 3rd place was Frank Binke/Nazzy Bee and 4th place went to John Pearson/Katie Marie. The June Tournament will take place on the 28th due to Father's Day.

Watch for flyers in the Legion, Facebook Page, and Website

2026 Golf Tournament Report

Our annual branch golf tournament will be held on August 8th this year at Bellview golf course with tee times beginning at 9:04 am and dinner and prizes to follow back at the branch immediately after golf.

The signup sheet is now available at the main bar where you can sign up to play and pay.

The cost for 18 holes of golf with a cart and dinner back at the branch is \$125.00 for Legion members and \$135.00 for non-legion members.

All are welcome to participate. There will be closest to pins for both men and women on 4 par 3's each Hole sponsorships are welcome at a cost of \$100.00 for each hole sponsorship.

Help make this a great day once again this year.

Branch Golf Committee: Randy Soulliere, Tom Friesen, Tom Boroski and Wayne Fortin

Jack & Jill Scotch Doubles 8 Ball Chip Tournament

Legion 

Legion 594 – 5030 Howard Ave, Windsor
1. **Sunday JUNE 28th**
Doors open 10:00 Tournament Starts at 11:00 a.m

18 Teams Max
\$40 Entry Fee per Team
100% Payout



Contact Bill Anderson 519-817-4436 to Register

Royal Canadian Legion Track & Field

Com Jeff Morrell Sr Branch Chair

The Track and Field program of Ontario Command is unique; it is the only program of its kind in the province that offers a Summer Track & Field Championship to girls and boys 17 years of age and under.

Athletes may compete at two other levels (Zone and District) and those that qualify can proceed to the Provincial level.

Those who qualify at the Provincial level can advance to the National level and be part of TEAM "O", at no cost to the athlete.

Royal Canadian Legion District "A" Ontario Provincial Qualifier and Ontario Summer Games Qualifier.

Friday June 12th and Saturday June 13th at Sandwich Secondary School.

Register online at

[Royal Canadian Legion District A Ontario Provincial Qualifier and Ontario Summer Games Qualifier](#)

Regular deadline:

June 9th, 2026, 11:59pm (Eastern Time) **Registration Opened**

Registration Fees

Price	\$15.00 per entry
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Late Deadline

June 10th, 2026 11:59pm (Eastern Time)

Registration Fees

Price	\$25.00 per entry
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Boys and Girls U12, U14, U16 and U18

Athletes can pick up to 3 events

There is no pole vault or multi events. If athlete would like to enter into pole vault or a multi event if they are picked for the District team for Provincials, they must provide verifiable results from 2026 outdoor season no later than the end of the District meet.

If an athlete wishes to participate in pole vault or multi events to qualify for the Ontario Summer Games, they can compete at the Royal Canadian Legion District B meet.

However, the District A team is picked before this event, and athletes must compete in at least 1 event at the District A event to be considered for the District A Team.

BRANCH 594 ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS

PROGRAM

Com Bob Hart, Entertainment Chair

JUNE

5TH ABBEY NEVES
12TH RICHARD JANIK
19TH DAVE FAZEKAS
26TH MARK BARNLETT

Royal Canadian
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Presents

Friday June 5th
4:30 - 7:30pm



Abbey Neves
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4:30 - 7:30 p.m.



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June 26th
4:30 - 7:30pm



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and Stay for Terrific
Entertainment



Metropolitan Branch 594,
5030 Howard Ave,
Tecumseh

**Mark
Barnlett**

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2026 VETERANS BANNERS PROGRAM. ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 594 and TOWN OF LASALLE

We are proud to announce that the Town of LaSalle in conjunction with our Branch 594 have announce the Veterans Banner Program has returned for 2026.

This is open to all Veterans who are/have live(d) in LaSalle and Sandwich West.

Applications are available at RCL 594, 5030 Howard Ave.

The deadline for submissions is July 30, 2026

Bob Hart is our Branch representative. bobhart59@hotmail.com



COMMEMORATIVE TOUR FOR *THE BATTLE OF VIMY RIDGE*



April 2027 will mark the 110th Anniversary of this pivotal battle. Come together with other Legion members to mark the occasion by participating in a 9-day tour to Paris, Vimy, and Normandy.

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- Guided sightseeing in Paris*

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Tours depart April 6, 2027.

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To learn more, contact: Mike Di Leo, telephone: 416-545-6526, email: mdileo@worldstrides.ca

2715 RCACC

Jim McGhie – Liaison to Cadets



If you know someone who is between the ages of 12–18, who are interested in Cadets, come out and check us out! Wednesdays 6–9pm!

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Thibert

The Cadets, Officers, and Sponsoring Committee of

2715 RCACC

Invite you to attend our

64th Annual Ceremonial Review



Wednesday, June 3, 2026

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #594

5030 Howard Ave

Please arrange to be seated by 6:45 pm

This will be a showcase of the Corps achievements from the training year, demonstrations, and award presentations.



SENIORS COMMITTEE

Co-chairs Sue Robinson & Beth Abson

Attendance at the Senior dinner/dance averaged 120 with an average of 85 dinners being sold and 35 dance tickets sold. A lot of new faces are being noticed.

Our **Cinco De Mayo party on May 4 had 126 patrons** with 87 delicious Mexican taquitos and rice dinners being served. Thanks again to Billie and her kitchen staff. The bar also sold 42 margaritas. Thanks, MJ, for your efforts.

Joe and Sharon kept the dancers entertained with Mexican tunes, (including the Mexican hat Dance), being mixed with their popular tunes.

Thank you Joe and Sharon. Prizes were given to the 3 best dressed. A picture of the winners can be seen on the Legion website www.rcl594.com under Senior photos.

Our Victoria Day Dance had 120 in attendance.

There will be 8 more sponsorships for 2026, from Seasons, Kensington, Chartwell, and Devonshire Retirement.

A survey was taken regarding the possibility of having a mini yard sale at one of the dances. The majority of the votes were answered as NO.

A **Beach/Summer party is scheduled for June 22**. Prizes will be given for best dressed, simple games will be played and a BBQ dinner will be served, so bring your sunhat and sunglasses for a sizzling good time.

We have decided to add 2 more themed dances to our calendar, that being **Movie Characters for August 17** and **Prom night for November 23**.

It was decided to approve the sale of handmade jewellery by Gloria with 5% of her sales being donated to the Legion.

I also want to thank the committee members who have been stepping up to help at the dances...Peggy Caradonna, Dorothy Gamble who donated a popcorn treat for All and Pat Westfall. Also, another speedy recovery wish to our Senior Committee Co-chair Beth Abson. Well wishes to Doreen Eansor and D Leonard’s wife Joan.

Note you do not need to be a Senior to attend!

Legion 594 Bingo

Com Veronica Friesen

The revenue received in April for the 4-2-hour bingo sessions worked in March was \$6,075.74. A big thank you to the volunteers who worked those sessions in March: Jeff Scott, Matt Beasley, Wayne Fortin, Pat Westfall, Nancy Mountain, Denis Meloche and Morris Brause.

The revenue for the month of April should be received the week of April 18 and will be reported next month.

A big thank you to all our volunteers and especially to the Municipality of Lakeshore, Ontario Charitable Gaming Association (OCGA), Ontario Lottery & Gaming (OLG), and Power Play Gaming Centre and all their patrons who have allowed our Branch to earn revenue to continue to help charitable and community groups with donations.

On April 13, Jim McGhie and I met with Shelley Brown, at the Municipality of Lakeshore to discuss the percentages of c-gaming funds the Branch is approved to use toward Donations, Operations & Maintenance and Veterans and Community Events, Entertainment and Education. At the present time we are permitted to use 60% Donations, 26% Operations & Maintenance and 14% for Veterans and Community Events, Entertainment and Education of the monthly c-gaming funds respectively, for each category noted above.

Our task was to update the Branch information that the Municipality required in order to set those percentages, and also to develop a new tracking spreadsheet to monitor the expenditures in each category to ensure we’re keeping within budget. It was a very productive meeting. All information has now been updated and sent to the Municipality for review and approval. The outcome of the review will be provided once received.



Donations Approved by Membership for MAY from Bingo	
Scouts Canada-Camp Cedarwin	\$1, 000.00
Total Donation	\$1, 000.00

Br 594’s cGaming Donation from Bob Hart to House of Sophrosyne, Maryvale, Harmony in Action and In Honour of the Ones We Love c/o Jeff Burrows at his Final “Drum Marathon”



BAR REPORT

Morris Brause Bar Chair

I want to thank our bartenders for their continued dedication to their duties and the wonderful service they provide our membership and patrons.

We have brought in Colio Pinot Grigio and a Merlot. We have a new bourbon called Barnburner that is Canadian made. I have received some very positive feedback on this product.

Bar prices will continue to be maintained at the current level and will be reviewed in the Fall.

I have a few more people who have offered assistance to conduct the monthly bar inventory check and are being trained. If there is anyone else interested, please contact me.

Note: Volunteer(s) must also be able to use a computer with both word and excel competencies.

Branch Members Celebrating JUNE Birthdays

Margaret Jean Ambedian, Martyn Ambedian, Jon Auffret, Christopher Barei, Johanna Belanger, Craig Belchuk, Lawrence Benjamin, Michael Boucher, Mitchell Boucher, Heather M Brunelle, Jacqiline Cadarette, Jesse Chamberlain, Donald Chambers, Ian Chippett, Charles Church, Suzette Clark, Lisa D'Amore, Logan Delorey, Elizabeth Dykeman, Jeff Epplett, Howie Forsyth, Frances Friesen, Michelle Gagne, Jennifer Gallant, Tracy Gervais, David Gourley, John Gray, Joe Greaves, Alexis Gualtieri, Gordon Hadrian, Michelle Hayes, Patrick Howe, Pamela Isley, Sarah Jinkerson, Elaine Johnson, Robert Johnson, Stephen Joseph, Murray Kerester, Jan Alan Kwasnicki, Kimberly Ladouceur, Richard Laforet, Darrel Laurendeau, Donald W MacPhail, Scott McFarlane, James McGhie, Gilbert Melanson, James Moore, Nancy Mountain, John Paterson, Alan Graham Purves, Gar Renaud, Edward Riach, Michael Richards, Ken Rocheleau, Bruce Rodgers, Phil Rustulka, Jennifer Sadai, Gary Shaw, Diane Patrica Skomash, Gerry Spicer, John Swizawski, Connie Tatomir, Carrie Theriault, Linda Thomas, Stephen Thompson, Darryl Vickers, Garry Warren, Chadwell Weatherall, Patricia Westfall, Brian White, Larry Williams, Carey Wilson, and Diana Woodman

Note if we missed your birthday, we don't know when it is. Please email it to membershipbr594@gmail.com

WINDSOR VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

Bob Hart Liaison

Over the last month, we lost 3 Veterans and 4 Comrades.

From June 1, 2025, until May 20th, the following have passed away: 65 Veteran's, 49 Comrades and the WVMSC has performed 11 services.

The annual WVMSC dinner is Sunday, June 14, 2026 here at Branch 594. Tickets are \$55.

See www.windsorveteransmemorial.com for info on this organization.

The next committee meeting will be Wednesday June 17th at Branch 644.

*Note that ALL Legionnaires are **welcomed / encouraged** to attend WVMSC services.*

Editors Note: On Friday May 30th Branch 594 members and friends placed Canadian flags on Veterans Graves these will be there until the Annual Bell Ceremony on Sunday June 7th at the Windsor Cenotaph. . Thank you to the 1 volunteers who placed between 1000 and 1200 flags. The pick up date is Monday June 8th. ALL ARE INVITED TO HELP

WINDSOR VETERAN'S MEMORIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

100th ANNIVERSARY



**COME CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF
SERVING THE VETERAN'S AND THEIR
FAMILIES IN WINDSOR ESSEX COUNTY**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026
RCL BRANCH 594 HOWARD AVE.**

Doors open at 4:30 Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

**Tickets are \$35.00 available from Mike Lepine @ 519-
790-9068 or Paul Lauzon @ 519-300-0875**

BRANCH 594 COLOUR PARTY

Dave Woodman Colour Party Commander

The Colour Party is actively recruiting.

Show your Legion Pride

Make New Friends

Training Provided Practices on Mondays at 7:10pm

Next Practices: June ?

Contact Dave Woodman dfwoodman@gmail.com,

519-566-8745

PUBLIC RELATIONS

David Woodman Chair

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594 in the Community

Our Legion, Branch 594 has submits stories and photos to the Legion magazine and the LaSalle Post. Check out these publications to see how we are engaging with Legionnaires and the public!

If you log in to legion.ca information on the Legion's Centenary is available.

We are here, we are engaged and we are here to serve!

LEGION RIDERS

Com K Miller

Our Car and Motorcycle show is THIS MONTH, and we are bringing the pieces together for that event. We expect more participation this year and will again work with our kitchen staff to help with the increased traffic.

Our monthly "Dinner Rides" are continuing to be a huge success. It's an informal opportunity for our members to get together and just talk and eat!

Riders Officer/Member status:

-Chair/Director/Quartermaster/Road Captain: Kenny "Boomer" Miller

-Asst. Director/Sergeant at Arms: Ron "Wingman" Carder

-Adjutant: Vacant

-Road Lieutenant: Pat "Hauler" Dewell

-Member at Large: Bryan Carder

-Member at Large: Dave Carder

New members:

-Honorary Member: Morris Brause

-Operator: Rich Plantagenet

-Passenger: Kathy Wilson

If you or someone you know might be interested in membership of our Riders Group, please don't hesitate to contact me or my Asst. Director with questions.



POPPY

Gerry Ciurysek: Br. 594 Poppy Chair



As of 5-17-2026, the WFCU Poppy Trust Fund sits at \$89,021.77 as does Br. 594's Poppy Trust Fund Ledger, all cheques have cleared.

The CRA Report for 2025 has been completed & mailed thanks to the great help of Janet Ciurysek.

I have almost all the new Poppy Coin Box Information Cards ready for this year's Campaign.

I have completed my Poppy Inventory so, at the end of June I will be submitting my order for the 2026 Poppy Campaign.

I am still looking for Volunteers to help with the Poppy Campaign, there will be a need for people to help stuff the envelopes with the Membership Poppy Appeal Letters/Poppies, seal the envelopes, stamps etc., last year there was only 2 of us & it took close to 5 hrs. So, I always sit & watch TV while putting two Poppies into the small envelopes that go into the Envelope with the Membership Appeal Letter, last year over 550 envelopes. **Anyone willing to help stuff the small envelopes with the 2 Poppies, please let me know & this can be done anytime between now & Sept. 18th.**

The Poppy Letter stuffing will take place sometime during the week of Sept. 21st so the letters can be in the mail by Sept. 26th.

Please contact Susan McAcree, our Volunteer Coordinator, who will then relay the info. to me.

I have also completed the signup sheets for Costco & Walmart; Costco will be a 10-day Campaign & Walmart will be a 12-day Campaign.

The signup sheets will go up in the Main Hallway on Thurs. Oct. 1, 2026. I always ask that Costco Sheet be filled up first if possible then the Walmart Sheet. Costco is a table display whereas Walmart Volunteers will be using the Poppy Pinning Boxes where you will stand at the entrance with your Pinning Box.

Newsletter Advertising

2026 rates as follows:

Business Card,	\$100.00 + HST
¼ page	\$135.00 + HST
Half page	\$250.00 + HST
Full page	\$500.00 + HST

The above is for 11 issues (July – August are combined)

Payment can be made via mail by cheque or at the Branch by Debit Visa or MasterCard.

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MAY 31 OPEN 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-5pm AGM 2PM	JUNE 1 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League Cards & Cribbage	2 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Closed Pepper Doubles Darts All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner 4:30-6:30 (236)	3 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm CADET ANNUAL INSPECTION	4 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-8pm Luck of Draw POOL & DARTS	5 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-8pm Entertainment Abbey Neeves	6 Open 10-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm
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21 FATHERS DAY OPEN 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-5pm	22 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm Sr Beach Party BBQ Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League Cards & Cribbage	23 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm Pepper Doubles Darts MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7PM Last until Sept	24 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm CADETS	25 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-8pm Luck of Draw POOL & DARTS	26 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-8pm Entertainment Mark Barnlett	27 Buddy Check Coffee 9:30 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> Open 12-7pm
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