

ANAVETS ASSINIBOIA 283

January 2015

Here's to a wonderful New Year and a warm adieu to the old!
Here's to happiness, good times, good cheer and the many
joys yet to unfold!



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hayden Kent

Well here we are already, 2015. On behalf of the Unit Executive and my family, I would like to wish all members and staff a Happy New Year and all the best in 2015.

December was a very busy month for me. On December 14th, there was the Kids Christmas Party, organized by Susan Paggett and my wife Donna, along with the Over 55 and Retired Club. I'd like to thank them as well as all the volunteers who made this a special day for all our children and grandchildren. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Claus for making this a memorable day for them. On December 16th, Donna and I attended the Over 55 and Retired Club Christmas Party and as always, we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. And on December 20th, I joined the Over 55 and Retired Club to visit our veterans at Deer Lodge Centre.

I would like to thank the Ladies Auxiliary for their donation to the Unit at our last General Meeting. We thank the ladies for your continued support over the past years and look forward to working together for many more years.

I would like to thank Susan Paggett and her committee of Donna Kent, Shirley Lyon and Elly St Pierre on such a great job with the New Year's Eve Party for our members and guests. The hall looked great!

I would like to thank those members who came out to the Unit's New Years Levee and a special thanks to the staff that worked that day. It was a great afternoon to bring in the New Year.

On January 10th, Donna and myself are looking forward to attending the Unit Pipes and Drums Christmas Party.

At our next General Meeting on January 15th, the Unit Executive will be presenting their yearend reports. Your Unit Executive take a great deal of time to prepare their reports in order to provide a detailed account of their committees' work for the past year. I would ask that members come out to celebrate and acknowledge the accomplishments of these committees.

As our Unit Elections are fast approaching, Thursday January 22nd at 7:30pm, I would like to thank the Nomination Committee for a job well done: Chairmen Lynn Blake, Marg Rixen, Debbie Hemlow and Linda Jonasson. On January 22nd, we will be holding our Unit Elections to fill the positions of President, First Vice President and Second Vice President. The nominations for President are myself, Syd Stamper, Susan Paggett, Len Cook and Ken Cade. The positions of First Vice President and Second Vice President will also be filled that evening with nominations from the floor of eligible members of the Executive. We also have five positions up for Executive and are all from the Executive members that are up for re-election, which have let their names stand again. As I have let my name stand again, I wish all the candidates all the best.

As you will see further in this newsletter is our change in time of our Unit operations. I would also like to bring to your attention some other changes to our operations to help our bottom line. Effective January 5th, we will no longer have a door person or a Nevada person on the Unit side. What we will be doing to increase our bar efficiency is to have two bartenders during our busiest times, which is during the Friday and Saturday meat draws. The Nevada sales and memberships will also be handled there as well. When the extra bartender is not looking after these functions they are to insure a better flow behind the bar to serve you better. Another change is to have the band on Saturday nights start playing at 7:00pm instead of 8:00pm, and finishing at 11:00pm instead of midnight.

In closing comrades, again, I wish you all the best in 2015. Your support of our Unit is what keeps it one of the most active Units in Winnipeg.



OVER 55 & RETIRED

Marg Rixen

We just finished another busy year with all our events: Casino trips, Visitations to other Clubs, Golf, Darts, Bowling, Bingo, 30th Anniversary Party, Craft and Bakes Sale, Over 80's Luncheon, New Members Lunch and our Christmas Party and Deer Lodge Christmas Visit. We will be doing much the same this year, except we host our Visitation from other Clubs in May.

Our Christmas Party on December 16th was attended by 117 of our members and special guests, Unit President, Hayden Kent and wife, Donna. We were entertained by Ricky Redbone and served a delicious dinner by Lito. Everyone had a very nice time, and thanks go to Judy Reed and her helpers: Ann Korniat, Rosalie Hill, and Donna Ayotte.

The Deer Lodge Visit on December 20th, along with Unit members, sang Christmas Carols and old "down memory lane" songs for the residence, who enjoyed them. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Santa and helpers who visited the veteran wards and passed out some goodies. Thank you to Ozzie on the piano and Barb Gural for leading the choir.

We finished our 2nd quarter in bowling and the winners were:

The Strikers with Captain Mary Lou Talmage and Team: Doug Rixen, Norma Lavallee and Rick LeClair

Runners-up were: Lemonade with Captain John Lemon and Team: Isabel Badour, Claudette LeClair, and Laura Scott

High Ladies: Norma Lavallee
267 High Men's: Helmut Bohnisch - 286

UPCOMING AND REGULAR EVENTS

January 6th Executive Meeting 1:30pm
January 13th General Meeting 2:00pm
Darts every Wednesday at 12:45pm
Bingo every Thursday at 1:15pm (chips provided)
Bowling every Friday at 9:30am. Come out and spare.

Please call Nick Dudar for anyone on the sick list at 888-8723

THE EXECUTIVE AND MEMBERS WISH ALL A VERY HEALTHY, HAPPY NEW YEAR!

DEER LODGE CHRISTMAS VISIT

John Gural

The Over 55 and Retired Club members enjoyed their annual visit to Deer Lodge Hospital for a Christmas Sing-a-long. Club President Hayden Kent and

Over 55 Club Past President Gord Ayotte went along with Mr. and Mrs. Claus to visit the various wards.



WAYS & MEANS

Bill Sadler

A Happy and prosperous New Year to everyone.

Yes, the Ways and Means committee is up and running for another year and guess what we need, your help in coming up with fund raising ideas, so please let myself or any executive members know your ideas on raising our income.

December was a busy month with wrapping up Grey Cup tickets and getting the cheques made up. A profit of \$1,670.00 was made. This year, with the Grey Cup being held in Winnipeg we will be selling \$5.00 Grey Cup tickets, which should return an increased profit.

I would like to thank Terry Murray and her elves for getting two Christmas hampers ready and arranging for ticket sellers for the 2014 Christmas hamper draws. Congratulations to our two winners, Barb Sadler and Nicole Gigriepy. Terry tells me she feels we had record sales. Sorry Terry is on holidays and I do not have the final results at this time.

Our Saturday meat draws, cake table and fifty fifty sales are increasing again after a slower summer and looks like this will come into the new year on an inspiring note.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your help and support during the past year. Without your generosity our Ways and Means portfolio is not possible.

Just a reminder, come on out to the club at 7:30pm on January 20th. It is election night and we have five real good candidates running for the position as your president. Your vote will involve the future of the #283 ANAF club.



MEMBERSHIP

Leo Barron

The total membership renewals for 2015 is 581. On January 1st you will notice a slight increase of \$2.00. The renewal will then cost \$37.00.

The unit requires current address and phone number information. You may leave the information at the bar.

We bring your attention to the membership draw which is made on a daily basis. There is a sign-in sheet by the front door. It requires your name, membership number and twenty-five cents.

We invite all members to bring their friends and family in to visit the unit and enjoy the atmosphere.

The Membership Committee, Elsie Fraser, Don Sutherland and myself wish all members and their extended family health and happiness in the New Year.

Unit Memberships

Now on Sale

\$37.00

Join the Friendly Club

Members and Guests

Please be advised of our new hours
Starting January 5, 2015

Monday to Friday

Unit Doors Open	Bar Opens
8:00am	11:00am

Saturday

Unit Doors Open	Bar Opens
7:00am	10:00am

Closing times at the discretion of
Unit depending on the number of
customers.

Thank you for your patience during
this transition.



Sharon Blady

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TRI-SERVICE VETERANS

R.G. Hemlow

Well, it's hard to believe that 2014 has already come to an end, and what a wonderful year it's been for The Tri Service Military Veterans Association.

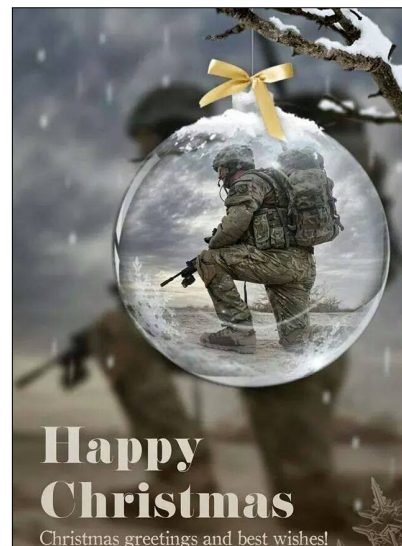
The fund raisers, the charitable motorcycle rides and the great support from our ANAVETS Unit and comrades.

Christmas is a time of love and affection with people on this day sharing their joy and happiness with their families and friends. Our friends at ANAVETS have done this all year with us. Your constant smiles, hello's and support mean the world to us!

Seeing that we are home with our families and friends, take a moment to remember our soldiers, sailors and airmen/women who are away from home and wish them all a Merry Christmas and their safety. Because most of us probably know someone or someone's son or daughter serving in our military, police or first responders.

As we move into 2015 the Tri Service Military Vets will continue to support our veteran associations and charities with the Tuesday Meat/Baking draw and Donkey Races on February 21st, and certainly hope to see you all out at these events.

The TRI SERVICE MILITARY VETERANS ASSOCIATION wishes you all had a very Merry Christmas and we wish you all the best for the New Year ahead!



Happy Christmas

Christmas greetings and best wishes!

ANAVETS 175th Anniversary

Commemorative (Challenge) Coins



Coins on sale now at the bar for \$20 each. Proceeds going to the Manitoba & N.W. Ontario Provincial Command for the 2016 Biennial Convention held here in Winnipeg



LOTTERIES

David Walker

St. James Assiniboia 55+ Centre Inc. will hold Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament on January 12th, February 9th and March 9th. Registration at 6:30pm, starting at 7:00pm. ANAVETS Assiniboia Unit #283 members and guests are invited.

The BINGO Jackpots for January 2nd are Loonie Pot \$740.00, Lucky Star \$172.00, Lucky 7 \$450.00, Bonanza \$2550.00, Mini Loonie \$1223.00, and Jackpot \$1700.00.

The Chase the Queen Jackpot for January 6th is \$9663.00 with 29 cards in play. I thank the volunteers for their assistance selling tickets, setting up and putting away.

Please Play Responsibly



BINGO

Monday, Wednesday
and Friday 7:00pm



Please Play Responsibly

Card Bingo Thursday 1:15pm

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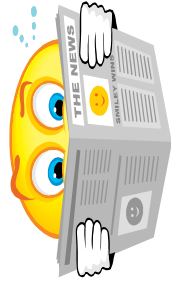
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 New Year's Day Levee Club Open 12pm - 8pm	2 Bingo 7:00pm Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Senior Men's Snooker) Whiskey Bent	3 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm Whiskey Bent
4	5 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	6 Over 55 & Retired Exec. Meeting 1:30pm Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	7 CARP Meeting 9:30am Bingo 7:00pm	8 Bingo 1:15pm Cribbage 7:30pm Exec. Meeting 7:30pm	9 Bingo 7:00pm Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Men's Snooker) Vintage Groove	10 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm Vintage Groove
11	12 St James Assiniboia 55+ Texas Hold'em 6:30pm Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	13 Over 55 & Retired General Meeting 2pm Ladies Aux Meeting 7pm Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	14 Bingo 7:00pm Cribbage 7:30pm	15 Bingo 1:15pm General Meeting 7:30pm	16 Bingo 7:00pm Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Ladies Snooker) Celebrations	17 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm Celebrations
18	19 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	20 Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	21 Bingo 7:00pm Cribbage 7:30pm	22 Bingo 1:15pm Elections 7:30pm	23 Bingo 7:00pm Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Curling) Marvels	24 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm Marvels
25	26 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	27 Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	28 Bingo 7:00pm	29 Bingo 1:15pm Cribbage 7:30pm	30 Bingo 7:00pm Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Masters Snooker) Almost Angels	31 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm Almost Angels

Saturday Meat Draw Starts at 3:00pm

January 3	January 10	Date	January 17	January 24
Len Cook	Bill Sadler	MC	Susan Paggett	Rae Roberts
Elvia Furutani	Barb Sadler	Main Lounge	Marg Rixen	Aline Sutherland
Carol Reid	Kandia Sarides	Table	Maxine Beatty	Ken Scarff
Jackie McDowell	Ann Korniat	Runner	Chuck Black	Linda Alberts
Marg Pokornik	Stella Pedersen	Games Room	Gail McDonald	Ted Chapman
Steinie Jonasson	Wilmer Antonio	Table	Donna Megarry	Harriet Chapman
Elly St Pierre	Elly St Pierre	50/50 Sales	Elly St Pierre	Elly St Pierre
Linda Alberts	Del Sadler	Cake	Terry Abrahamson	Joe Dooley
Kandia Sarides	Marilyn Brown	Table	Janet Vickery	Jenny Dooley
Jack Belair	Rodney Blue	Drum	Wilf Betts	Jack Callum
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January 31 Ladies Auxiliary will be your volunteers, 50/50 Seller Ely St Pierre

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SPORTS

Sylvia Shaler

On November 22nd we had Command Mixed Biathlon at Rockwood Unit #303.

1st place went to Rockwood Unit #303 giving them 4 points for the Shield

2nd place went to Assiniboia Unit #283 giving us 3 points

3rd place went to Portage La Prairie Unit #13 giving them 2 points

On December 6th we had Command 9-Ball at Club #60.

1st place went to Brandon Unit #10 giving them 4 points for the Shield

2nd place went to Assiniboia Unit #283 giving us 3 points

3rd place went to John Osborn Unit #1 giving them 2 points

4th place went to Thompson Unit #388 giving them 1 point

The Thanks For Coming Out went to Club #60

The next event is Senior Curling hosted by Brandon Unit #10 on January 3rd at 11:00am at the Riverview Curling Club in Brandon. So if your free and would like to watch our team of Syd Stamper, Gord Kent, RG Hemlow and Sheldon Clupp, come on out and cheer them on.

Next is Command Shuffleboard in Portage La Prairie on January 17th at 10:00am. The Qualifier is January 10th, sign-up sheet is posted in the games room.

Our next sports meeting is January 28th at 6:45pm.



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SENIOR SNOOKER

Dunc Manson

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a fun New Year's. Our doubles league finished the first half of competition after 19 games for each team. Congratulations to Don Thomas and Lloyd Thibert who finished with only one loss. On Monday, December 15th, our singles league finished their first two rounds with one more to go in the New Year.

On December 18th we held our annual Blind Doubles Tournament. We had 17 teams broken down into one table of 5 teams and two tables of 6 teams. After some good competition, table one finished with all 5 teams tied with two wins and two losses. Who saw that coming! After a black ball shoot out, the winners on table one were Fern Scanlon and Al Heywood, with runners-up Clare Sweeting and Orest Kryschuk. On table two the winners were Gord Fingland and Mike Belanger. The runners-up were Robert

Wolanski and Darrell McKinstry. On table three the winners and only undefeated team in the tournament were Brian Towse and Brian Dougherty, with runners-up Gord Watt and yours truly. Thanks to Len Cook, my assistant chair, for organizing the tournament.

I'd like to send out best wishes to two of our players who have been away due to health concerns - Merv Pilkey and Jim McIntosh. We miss you fellas and hope to see you back soon. I would also like to thank our Sports Chairman, Sylvia Shaler for having the sports chairs, the assistants and guests for a Christmas get together on Friday, December 19th. A good time was had by all.

We resume regular play on January 5th for the singles and the 6th for the doubles. I am looking forward to



Gord Fingland & Mike Belanger & Dunc Manson



Fern Scanlon & Al Heywood & Dunc Manson



Brian Dougherty & Brian Towse & Dunc Manson

Support Our Troops

Wear Red On Friday's



Remember
Everyone
Deployed



MEN'S SNOOKER

Alan Carson

Men's Snooker League held its Christmas party on December 17th. Thanks to the organizing committee: Paul Maier for taking the lead in organizing and planning the evening, as well as Jim Aberdeen (MC), Chuck Dewey and Ron Henderson who helped out with ticket sales. And a special thank you to Jeff and Cheryl Chartrand for purchasing and wrapping all the Santa Claus gifts. Everyone enjoyed the great food provided by Lito Canlas.

Congratulations to the Christmas draw winners. Wayne Des Roche, Roy Smith, Tom Smith and William Earle won \$25 gift certificates and Ken Cade had a big night winning the 50/50. I would especially like to recognize all of our generous league members as we raised \$410 for the Christmas Cheer Board.

The first round of singles was completed on December 1st and the second half commenced on December 8th. Thanks to Rick Thain, Ron Henderson and David King for compiling the results and getting all the scheduling, printing and emailing done in

order to get play started again in short order.

Top seeds in the "A" Division are Tom Smith (10 wins) and Len Walker (9 wins) closely followed Rick Wheeler (8 wins) and Barry Burns, Wayne Des Roche and John LaMarche all with 7 wins. Everyone in "B" Division has 6 wins - Roy Bennett, Frank Lindal, Paul Maier, Mark Swendrowski, Court Reyda, Ron Henderson, Sheldon Clupp and Allan Dyker. Top seeds in "C" Division are Rick Thain (5 wins) and Greg Kovacs - just 2 wins but recovering from an injury.

Our first round of Doubles play will be complete on January 21st.

Congratulations to Mark Buchan who had a high break of 71 the week of the Christmas party.

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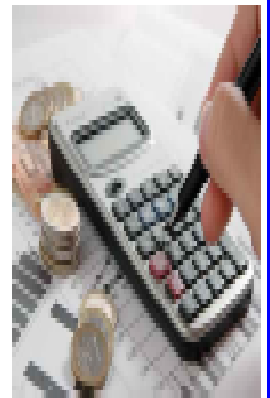
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CURLING

Judith Brown

We held our Christmas party on December 21st at the Deer Lodge Curling Club right after we finished throwing the rocks for the day. I hope everyone in attendance had a great time and good fun! Sylvia, our Sports Officer and Susie, Entertainment Officer, were in attendance, as were Gord Kent, Syd Stamper and Sheldon Clupp as always. I would like to thank them for joining in the fun. It is always a pleasure sitting and having a few beverages and enjoying funny stories, laughs and camaraderie between members. The winners for the perfume bottles were Erin Russell and Joanne Clupp. Enjoy! Thanks to Jackie Yeo and Erin for selling the tickets, you're the best! Donations were made by Gord Kent and Hayden Kent and Judie Brown. The money raised from these draws bought us the great pizza we had from the club kitchen. If anyone is looking for good food and beer, Deer Lodge is the place to go.

We have decided to have each team participate in selling the 50/50 draw and it has turned out well! \$72.00 to the winner is the record! Who knew each team would be so competitive? Each week it is asked

what's the highest so far, and that team whose turn it is tries hard to surpass that mark! It has turned out well for our league, and everyone seems to be having fun doing it. We all win in the long run.

Here are the standings after the first round: Clupp - 6 wins; Stamper, Nash, Cook and Serebinski - 5 wins; Kent, Post, Onagi and Grosvenor - 4 wins; and Vince - 3 wins.

We will be preparing for the Calcutta soon. Syd Stamper and myself usually do the "speech" and ask for the bidding for this event. If you want to know what the "speech" is.....well keep looking in the newsletter and I will let you know when the exact date is so you can come join the fun and laughter and perhaps you may find yourself joining in on curling for next year! Stay tuned, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Be Happy and Prosper!

Wizard

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PUBLICITY

Sheldon Clupp

Happy New Year to everyone, may you all have a healthy and prosperous 2015.

Firstly, I would like to apologize for the delay in getting the January newsletter out because of unforeseen circumstances. As you all know, this is a very busy time of the year and we do our very best to print on time.

Unit Elections will be held on January 22nd and I would like to encourage everyone to come out and vote that evening. We will be having elections for Unit President, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President. There will not be an election for any other Executive Council positions as they are all in by acclamation. Good luck to all those running.



Chase the Queen



of Spades



&

Tri-Service Veterans



Meat Draw



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50/50 Draw

Meat Draw

Come out and try your luck!

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Leslie Allan Edge

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