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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Len Cook

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Mothers a very Happy Mother's Day. To those of you who, like me, have lost your Mom I hope you still hold a special place in your heart for this important person.

May brings a lot of other things as well. The golf leagues will start soon, gardening will begin and hopefully the weather will co-operate for us all.

We will also, once again, be holding our Western Days on the long weekend. Be sure to see Susan's report and other articles in this Newsletter and posters for more information.

I neglected, at the General Meeting, to welcome back our "Snow Birds" so I do that now. Welcome back. It is good to see you in the Unit.

It was nice to once again see such a large turnout at our April General Meeting. I hope this is a trend that will continue. I am pleased to say that things are going well in the office and we are getting caught up on our finance statements. These should now be available at General Meetings. Remember there is no General Meeting in May. Our next Meeting will be June 18th unless further advised

We will be implementing summer hour for the Unit

and the new times etc. will be posted in the Unit. As you know there will be no Saturday night bands unless there is a special event happening and these will be advertised well in advance.

It was a pleasure for Linda and I to attend the Over 55 and Retired 31st Anniversary on the 21st of April. Thank you all for the invitation and the warm welcome. Linda and I truly enjoyed the afternoon.

Thank you also to the Darts Committee for the invitation to their banquet on April 25th. We will also be attending the Tri-League banquet on May 2nd and the Billiards banquet on May 9th. Once again, thank you for the invitations.

Past President Hayden Kent and I met with representatives from River City Ford and the paper work was signed to get started on the application to the City for the proposed easement. Once again, you will all be kept advised as to what is happening.

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



LADIES AUXILIARY

Elvia Furutani

The ladies would like to take this opportunity to wish all Mothers a Happy Mother's day. To express your love and appreciation for your Mother, just being there on her day with a hug makes her day extra special.

Our Ladies have had a very slow month. We have catered one Celebration of Life. This Celebration hit close to us it was for Benny Crooks the husband of our Membership Chair, Marina Crooks. Our Prayers go out to her and her Family.

Our dual members, who attended the April 16th General Meeting, were impressed with the turn out. It was an informative Meeting well done.

The Ladies next General Meeting is May 12th at 7:00 pm. We hope to see all Ladies out. With this Meeting, being held after the Provincial Convention, the Ladies will have a better idea of the direction they will be heading in the future. All Unit Ladies are down in Membership and some are at a standstill due to no new interest in the Auxiliaries.

We extend our congratulations to Selkirk Unit 151 on their 84th Anniversary and to the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada on their 175th Anniversary.

Our get well greetings go out to all our shut-ins. Hope summer brings with it better health and your return to the Unit.

To our Service Men and Women and their Families, our thoughts and prayers and thanks are always with you.

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OVER 55 & RETIRED

Marg Rixen

We enjoyed another wonderful afternoon on 21-April, celebrating our 31st Anniversary. We danced to the music of 'Two 4 For The Show', and will certainly try to get them again. We also enjoyed a delicious dinner, made by Lito and served by his very efficient staff. Person of the Year Award was presented to Ann Korniat and Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Alice Lang. A big thank you to Judy Reed, Ann Korniat and Rosalie Hill, for putting on such a wonderful event. Our Unit President, Len Cook and wife, Linda, were our special guests.

The Bowling Season ended on 24-April, at Academy Lanes West, with a lovely lunch, following our roll-offs. Prizes were given out to: Winners of the 4th Quarter- 'Top Four', with Captain Linda Messervy and team: Jan Adkins, Dave Barham and Rodney Blue

Grand Aggregate winners were: 'Harry's Harem' - Captain Ann Korniat- Team-Harry Grosvenor, Lorraine Krastel and Marj McGowan,

'A' side winners: 'Top Four'-Captain- Linda Messervy-Team- Jan Adkins, Dave Barham and Rodney Blue.

'B' side winners: 'Four Squares' - Captain-Jim Lynch -Team- Gord Bugden, Helmut Bohnish, and Shirley Hellof

High averages-Men- Dave Barham, Helmut Bohnish, Rick LeClair, Jim Lynch and Roger Briand

High averages-Women-Ann Korniat, Vera Muir, Lorraine Krastel and Claudette LeClair

Thank you to Roger Briand and co-chair, Lorne Kingyen, for a terrific job over the season. A list will be posted on our bulletin board for those interested in bowling, next September. Spares are always needed. Come out and have some fun and exercise. Please call Roger Briand at- 204-895-2739

Golf Season will begin on 30-April-15 at Blumberg Golf Course. A list is on the bulletin board.

UPCOMING EVENTS

5-May-15-Executive Meeting-1:30 pm

12-May-15-General Meeting- 2:00 pm

10-May-15-Mother's Day

19-May-15-Our Visitation-Stillwell Hall- 1:00 to 5:00pm Cost \$4.00 per member

27-29-May-15-Shooting Star Casino- \$149.00 pp

12-June-15-Over 55 Meat Draw

22-24-June-15-Dakota Magic Casino- bring your Golf Clubs-\$149.00 pp

Darts every Wednesday at 1230 pm

Bingo every Thursday at 1:15 pm (bring a friend)

If you know anyone on the sick list, please contact

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MEMBERSHIP

Leo Barron

The unit membership, to date, is 960. This is great.

On behalf of the Membership Committee, and all members, we thank the RCMP and retired for joining the friendly club.

It sure was nice to see all those members at the general meeting. Thank you for coming out. Please feel free to suggest new ideas to make our Unit a better club.

May 10th is Mother's Day. We wish all mothers an enjoyable day.

PS to those members who have not renewed their membership. Please make the effort.

Thank you.

LOTTERIES

DAVE WALKER

Chase the Queen Jackpot on the 28th April was \$4,311 with 45 cards in play. I thank the volunteers for assisting with Chase the Queen. The Unit Bingo jackpots are Loonie Pot \$927, Lucky Star \$1,270, Lucky 7 29# \$650, Bonanza 53# \$2,650, Mini Loonie \$985 and the Jackpot 52# \$1,450. We will not be selling the following Break open cards after all the open stock are sold Call of the Wild, Card Shark Amazing 8s and any sealed boxes will be returned for credit. We will only have McPhillips Street, Lucky Lines \$1 each and Winners Circle, Criss Cross \$.50. ,

Chase the Queen



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WAYS & MEANS

Bill Sadler

It is great being back working with my fellow Ways and Means Volunteers.

The Saturday meat draws, 50/50 draws and cake table sales continue to do well and also helping out the Saturday bar sales from 2:30 to 5:00pm.

For the immediate future here is something to mark down on your calendar, on May 16th we will be having a seventh meat draw of all T-bone steaks. I would suggest you come out and get your lucky seat early.

For the Monday, May 18th we are planning to have a hamper draw, which will include T-bone steaks, smokies, potatoes and all the fixings for a great barbecue. The hamper tickets are now available. Anyone wishing to help out by selling the hamper tickets, please contact Barb Sadler or Terry Murray. Barb would like to thank all those volunteers who volunteered to sell on the weekends for the next three weeks. A special thanks, to Terry Abrahamson who volunteered to sell in the bingo hall.

At this time I would like to thank all the members who are submitting their names wanting to help out their club. With summer months fast approaching some of the volunteers will be taking holidays. Would you like to volunteer to fill a vacant spot? If you would like to volunteer, please contact Barb Sadler or Terry Murray.

PIPE BAND

Barbie Sands

We haven't had a write-up in the newsletter for a while now so here is an update on your pipe band! We played back in February at Deer Lodge Curling Club for their Scottish night fundraiser. It was a chance to perform some of the new tunes we have learned. Most of us stayed after for some beverages and dancing! All of us were happy to welcome a new side drummer named Jordan into the band this year. He makes the commute from Steinbach every week and we are glad to have him come out! Our upcoming playouts include The Salvation Army Care Home, veteran's parade for the Osborne Legion, piping for the Provincial Command convention and Westgrove School Canada Day parade. A big congratulations to our bass drummer Gale Walker who won 1st place in the last two drum competitions here in Winnipeg. Way to go Gale! Hope everyone is enjoying the nicer weather and thank-you for supporting our 50/50 draws Friday night. If we get any new members in the band from here on in we will have to start purchasing more band uniforms which can get very costly...so we are very appreciative of your support!



Gale accepting her trophy at the Winnipeg Scottish

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Ladies Snooker) Village Groove	2 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm Village Groove
3	4 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	5 Over 55 & Retired Exec. Meeting 1:30pm Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	6 Bingo 7:00pm	7 Bingo 1:15pm Cribbage 7:30pm Exec. Meeting 7:00pm	8 Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Senior Snooker) Marvels	9 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm NO BAND
10	11 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	12 Over 55 & Retired General Meeting 2pm Ladies Aux Meeting 7pm Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	12 Bingo 7:00pm	14 Bingo 1:15pm Cribbage 7:30pm	15 Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Men's Snooker) Whiskey Bent	16 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm NO BAND
17	18 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	19 Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	20 Bingo 7:00pm	21 Bingo 1:15pm Cribbage 7:30pm	22 Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Ladies Snooker) Celebrations	23 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm NO BAND
24&31	25 Wizard Cards 1:00pm Bingo 7:00pm	26 Tri Vet Meat Draw & Chase The Queen 6-8pm	27 Bingo 7:00pm	28 Bingo 1:15pm Cribbage 7:30pm	29 Pipe Band 50/50 Sports Meat Draw 6:30 (Curling) Ricki Redbone	30 Meat Draw & 50/50 3pm NO BAND

MAY 2015

02-May	09-May	DATE	16-May	May 23	May 30
PAT PARAGO	SUSAN PAGGETT	MC	BILL SADLER	RAE ROBERTS	LADIES AUXILIARY
JUDY REED	MARG RIXON	CASH	BARB SADLER	ALINE SUTHERLAND	LADIES AUXILIARY
CAROL REID	JUDY REED	SELLER	MAXINE BEATTY	KEN SCARFF	LADIES AUXILIARY
ADELE BETTS	ANN KORNIAT	RUNNER	LINDA ALBERTS	CHUCK BLACK	LADIES AUXILIARY
MARG POKORNIK & STEINI JONASSON	STELLA PEDERSON & WILMER ANTONIO	GAMESROOM	MARY PRYMA & DONNA MEGARRY	JUDY TAIT & KANDIA SARIDE	LADIES AUXILIARY
ELLY ST PIERRE	ELLY ST PIERRE	50/50	ELLY ST PIERRE	ELLY ST PIERRE	ELLY ST PIERRE
GERRI HAMSEY & WALLY HAMSEY	DEL SADLER & MARILYN BROWN	CAKE TABLE	TERRY ABRAHAMSON & SHARON BUGDEN	BEA AYMONT & SHANNON CASSEY	LADIES AUXILIARY
JACK BELAIR & GORDON WATT	DAVE MCGOWAN & STEVE KORNIAT	Drum	GEORGE BONNEYFOY & WILF BETTS	JACK CALLUM & LES BOYCE	LADIES AUXILIARY

SHUFFLEBOARD

Ken Cade

April 20 was our last league night and congratulations to Kim Hekl and her Dad Bob Hekl for winning both the A Division and the Grand Aggregate. Ralph Peitt and Fran O'Neil were runners up.

B Division Champs were Rae Roberts and Jackie McDowell followed by Stan Jarowski and Sandra Penner

C. Division was won by

Faye Davidson and Joan Broughton with a runner up tie between Elly St. Pierre and Sandra Seal and Marg Pokornik and Gladys Arnal.

Hangers competition this year was expanded by having the seasonal champs reduced to the double round robin champs which was won by Ladies Faye Davidson and Mens Don Gillon and runners up in both had ties with Kim Hekl & Elly St. Pierre and Alain Dumonceaux and Darryl Yeo. The additional competition was the high Ladies and Men in each division.

Champs were

A – Fran O'Neil and Jaelen Dumonceaux

B Division Shirley Lyon and Stan Jarowski and

C Division Elly St. Pierre.

The runners up in each division were A Joanne Clupp and Ralph Peitt – B Jackie McDowell & Ken Cade and C – Sandra Seal and Gladys Arnal. On April 27th we are having a fun night in memory of former member Gerry Poitras with a unique matching of partners which we will then elect next years' committee and address any business arising,

Tonight, April 24 we will be hosting the members for the Friday Night Meat Draw. I acknowledge in advance those members who volunteered to serve – Shirley Lyon, Carol Arnal, Judie Brown, Ralph Peitt, Alain Dumonceaux, Ken Cade, Stan Jarowski and hopefully Gladys Arnal and Darryl Yeo.

It has been a great season – it is a fun league and we have a lot of fun – Jackie McDowell had a bit of an accident and we hope that she is totally recovered and look forward to seeing her soon. A special thank you to the Men's Snooker Singles League for supporting our 50/50 draw – you are great sports. Thank you to Sports Officer Sylvia Shaler for all her efforts and to all the Unit Members and Executive – it truly is the friendly club.

SPORTS



Unit 283 Tri-Athlon Team

L-R– Dieter Bonas, Roy Bennett, Bert Loch & Sheldon Clupp w/ Sylvia Shaler Unit Sports Chair

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TRI-SERVICE VETERANS

R.G. Hemlow

First let me apologize for my tardiness. I went To the Dominican and then down south for a few weeks of golfing. Unfortunately I neglected to have someone do a write up for me for the last couple of months.

On March 25th we were invited to ANAVETS #60 to join the Vietnam Veterans in recognizing Veterans Appreciation Day. We were treated to good food, good music and great camaraderie. New friends were made and a great time was had by all.

In addition to our Tuesday meat and bake draws, which with your support have been going very well, we have been keeping ourselves busy with other fundraising efforts such as the donkey races and World of Wheels. We have also been visiting some Veterans charitable organizations and presenting them with much appreciated donations.

So far this year The Tri Service Military Veterans Association of Canadian 1MB has donated \$7,884.00. The following groups who help veterans, police and first responders were recipients of these donations and have shown us lots of appreciation and thanks - Military Family Resource Center Winnipeg, Courageous Companions Manitoba (service dogs), Veterans Emergency Transition Services Manitoba and ANAVETS #283.

The Tri Service Military Veterans Association of Canada is a group of Canadian Veterans and supporters who gather together to renew the bonds of Military Service and promote camaraderie between all Veterans and Veteran Groups of the Canadian Forces, past, present and future. We are a Not-for-Profit group whose goal is to aid and assist Veterans by raising awareness through events and fundraisers in support of Canadian Military/Veteran Charities. If you have any questions or would like information please feel free to ask anyone of us.

“FRATERNITAS AETERNUS”



LADIES SNOOKER

Carol Reid

At our meeting on April 10th, elections were held and our executive is as follows: Chair - Linda O'Brien, Vice-chair - Barb Sadler, Secretary-Treasurer - Carol Reid, and Draw Master - Kerry Miller. Thanks to Cindy Johnston, our past Vice-chair for her contributions to our league this past year.

Our season has ended and winners have been declared. We had a couple of nail-biter tie breakers but unfortunately there always has to be one team that comes in second

Barb Sadler is planning a summer fun league if anyone is interested. If you want more information, see Barb. This will be a slight variation of our 'normal' game. It sounds very interesting.

Our wind-up banquet and presentation of awards is on May 2nd. We are looking forward to a good time and a great meal. We will let you know who the winners are next month – we don't want to spoil the surprise!!

To all our Mothers, Grandmothers, Great-grandmothers and those special women in our lives, we wish you a very

SPORTS

Sylvia Shaler

We had command Ladies Shuffleboard at Rockwood Unit # 303 on Saturday April 18. We had a great day and turn out a lot of fun.

First place went to John Osborn Unit # 1 giving them 4 points for the shield

Second place went to Fort Garry Unit # 60 giving them 3 points for the shield

Third place went to Rockwood Unit # 303 giving them 2 points for the shield

Fourth place went to Portage La Prairie Unit # 13 giving them 1 point for the shield

The thanks for coming out went to Selkirk Unit # 151

High End went to Melissa from Fort Garry Unit # 60

On April 25 we host Command Tri-Athlon we had a great day and turn out fun was had by all

First place went to Rockwood Unit # 303 giving them 4 points for the shield

Second place went to Assiniboia Unit # 283 giving us 3 points for the shield Way to go Bert Loch

Sheldon Clupp Dieter Bonas & Roy Bennett

Third place went to Fort William Unit # 257 giving them 2 points for the shield

Fourth place went to Brandon Unit # 10 giving them 1 point for the shield

The thanks for coming out went to Selkirk Unit # 151

John Osborn Unit # 1 was disqualified for not enough Unit players or they would have come in first place.

High Finish in Darts went to Toby from Fort William Unit # 257 with a score of 58

High Run in Snooker went to Eddie from John Os-

born Unit # 1 with a score of 30

High End in Shuffleboard went to Joey from Selkirk Unit # 151 with a score of 10

This was the last Command Sporting event for the 2014-2015 sports year.

The total points for the Command Shield

John Osborn Unit # 1	19
Brandon Unit # 10	30
Portage La Prairie Unit # 13	17
Fort Garry Unit # 60	7
Selkirk Unit # 151	6
Fort William Unit # 257	2
Assiniboia Unit # 283	37
Rockwood Unit # 303	24
Thompson Unit # 388	1

The total points for the thanks for coming out

John Osborn Unit # 1	1
Brandon Unit # 10	0
Portage La Prairie Unit # 13	0
Fort Garry Unit # 60	1
Selkirk Unit # 151	6
Fort William Unit # 257	0
Assiniboia Unit # 283	0
Rockwood Unit # 303	0
Thompson Unit # 388	1

The next event is Can-Am Golf with our American friends June 13 2015 @ Scotswood Links Golf Course in Elm Creek tee @ 10AM

Watch games room for signup sheet open to everyone.

The next sports meeting is May 28th at 6:45 hope to see all the sports chairs there.

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Senior Men's Snooker

Dunc Manson

It's hard to believe the 2014/15 season has come to an end. We had two events to close off the season, the first being our awards banquet, held on Saturday, April 18th. There were 78 in attendance and thanks to Lito for putting on a delicious meal.

The highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of the Marcel Bertouille Memorial trophy, won by George Bonnefoy and the late Merv Pilkey. The trophy was presented by Rick Thain, who also delivered a moving tribute to Marcel. Sharing in the presentation were Loretta Bertouille, and Pat Pilkey.

Our president, Len Cook, presented the aggregate award to Lloyd Thibert and Don Thomas as well as the A side trophy to Rick Thain and Morley Barron. Runners up were Gord Fingland and Gary Lacy.

B side winners were Paul Maley and Bill Hiebert, with runners up Roger Anton and Clare Sweeting. Gord Richards presented the

C side trophy to Brian Towse and Lou Girard. Runners up were Brian Cyr and Brian Smith.

The high run went to Terry Greenwood. Congratulations to all.

The second event was held on April 24th with our tournament with Legion #4. This was the seventh annual tournament we have held and I am pleased to announce that the 283 Senior Men's won the day and broke the tie. We now have four wins out of seven. Thanks to Fern Scanlon for organizing the event.

A reminder to all members that our annual meeting will be on Wednesday, May 13th at 1pm. We are also hosting the Friday night meat draw on May 8th and we would like to see some more members out to assist.

Thanks again to all the members I mentioned at the banquet. I couldn't have done it without you. See you on the 8th and the 13th.



Unit #283's Winning Team

vs #4 Legion

SOCIAL SERVICES

Rae Roberts

I and my fellow serving Executive welcome Comrade Ken Cade back to the Executive following our recent Unit elections. With his past experience on the council, I am sure Ken will have everything well organized and back in order in no time and will keep us all informed and updated regarding Unit business and finances.

It is also nice to see Bill and Barb Sadler back as volunteers in charge of the Ways and Means portfolio. Although I only oversaw that chair for a few months it was quite a experience and a reminder of what it consists each and every week. There were a couple of times that I was unsure just how many we would have to work with from those scheduled, but again, other volunteers stepped up and filled in the gaps. A personal thank you from me to all you 'meat draw' volunteers who make each weekly event such a great success. As young Mr. Grace would say "You've all done very well".

On behalf of not only the Unit Executive but all 283 comrades, I say a huge 'THANK YOU' to the Tri-Service Veterans for their most generous financial donation to the Unit. As well, I personally thank them for the wonderful donation of an 'Electronic Bugle' which will be used for various events by both Unit 283 and the Tri-Vets. Again, you proved that we are, as organizations and members are "Shoulder to Shoulder".

Lac du Bonnet Branch #164 of the RCL is again inviting members of ANAF Unit 283 colour party and members to their annual Memorial Day Parade and Service on Sunday, June 14th. at 1300hrs. Assembly in the Legion clubrooms will be at 1230hrs. We then parade from the Legion lot to the cenotaph by 1300hrs. (weather permitting) Services and wreath laying will be followed by parading back to the Legion for a wonderful luncheon. Please try to attend this event and support our RCL Comrades in rural areas.

There will be a graveside service held for Comrade Arthur Joseph Mayer on Monday, May 04, 2015 at 1130hrs. in the Memorial Gardens of Chapel Lawn, 4000 Portage Ave. A gathering and celebration of Art's life will be held at Heritage Community Centre, 950 Sturgeon Road following services. For over 30 years Art called me "ROBERT", so I will be there as your friend Robert from the 'old' Unit 283 shuffleboard league and MSA.

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