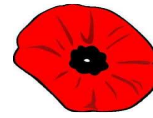




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Last Post

April – Fred McAleer – Life Member
 Dave Carty – Ordinary Member – 53+yrs
 John Todd
 Barbra Treleaven
 Lorraine Herbst

Please let us know of any members who have passed away so we can offer assistance to the family, inform the membership, and update our records. Contact the Branch President at: President@legion593.com

Branch Service Officer

Our **Branch Service Officer** (Veterans Service Officer) is Bruce May.

As a veteran Bruce is available to assist any Veteran with a potential claim, or help you determine what benefits you may be entitled to.

Please include your contact phone number when you email the Branch Service Officer.

You can reach Bruce at VSO@legion593.com

Bell Ringer Newsletter Editor – Last Notes

This will be my last newsletter as it has been decided to move to a new format. It has been a pleasure, and a challenge as creator and editor to carry on the tradition of the Branch Bell Ringer newsletter for the last 4 yrs. I hope that all the information and pictures that I have included have helped ensure you know all that has happened, and is happening at your Bells Corners Legion Branch 593 over these years.

Brad Curtis
 Bells Corners Br 593
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- 5 **Legion Charter Dated 1961**

Weekly Branch Events

Cribbage – Drop in Thursday afternoons – **will restart in September** – Rear Lounge.

Euchre – Each Tuesday night at 7pm
 - downstairs Banquet Hall.

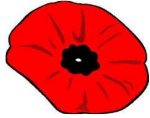
Darts – Each Wednesday night at 7pm
 - downstairs Banquet Hall.

Darts – Drop -in Saturdays - 12pm
 -downstairs Banquet Hall

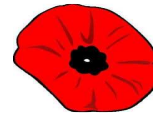
Branch Pool League – Summer “drop in” on **Thursday nights**. The league will pause during the summer but will re-start again in September. **Watch for official announcement.**

Rentals of the Branch halls can be requested.

Contact the Branch Office at 613 829-4609 or legion593.ca@rogers.com



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Bells Corners Branch #593 Branch Executive Committee – 2024/25

At the time of publishing this newsletter the new Executive have not yet finalized all positions with names.

Your NEW Branch Executive Are:

President – **Jake McDavid**
Past President – **Shawn Taillon**
1st Vice – **Bruce May**
2nd Vice – **Tracey Berrea**
3rd Vice – **Bob Harkness**
Secretary – **Aaron Kisko**
Treasurer – **Vacant**
Chaplin – **Vacant**

Sgt-at-Arms – **Vacant currently**, however **Ron Henderson** will take on this position in September.

Branch Chair – **Vacant**

Branch Service Officer – **Bruce May**
Bar Officer/Manager – **Vacant**
Bingo – **Dave Treleaven**
Bursary – **Vacant**
Constitution & Laws – **Vacant**
Entertainment – **Joan McConnell**
Grants & Assistance – **Dave Treleaven**
Honors & Awards – **Vacant**
Housing & Property – **Vacant**
Leadership & Development – **Vacant**
Membership – **Lee McCuaig**
Poppy Campaign – **Bob Harkness**
Poppy Trust – **Vacant**
Public Relations – **Vacant**
Seniors & Visitation – **Vacant**
Sports - Track & Field – **Doug Kennedy**
Ways & Means – **Patsy Niles**

Branch Events At Bells Corners Br #593

Saturday Afternoon Dance – June 8th, 2024

Band – Divided Highway – 1 to 5pm

Saturday Afternoon Dance – June 22, 2024

Band – Rick King Band
1-5pm

Monday Afternoon Dance – July 1st Canada Day

Band – Arc of Fire

1-5pm - Doors open at Noon – BBQ Food Available

Saturday Afternoon Dance – July 7, 2024

Band – Hey Neighbour Band (Mon Voisin)
1-5pm

Saturday Afternoon Dance – July 20, 2024

Band – The Classics
1-5pm

Saturday Afternoon Dance – July 27, 2024

Band – Snap, Crackle & Pop
1-5pm

Saturday Afternoon Dance – August 10, 2024

Band – TBA
1-5pm

Sunday Afternoon Dance – August 18, 2024

Band – TBA

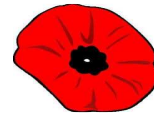
Saturday Afternoon Dance – August 24, 2024

Band – Al Visser

Watch our Branch or Facebook websites for updates.



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**Investiture Of Your New Branch 593
President**

Jake McDavid

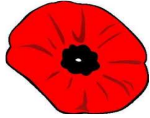


**1st, 2nd and 3rd Vice
And Sgt-at-Arms (left to right)**



New & Past President





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Life Time Membership Awarded

Ron Henderson & Dave Tempeny

Bells Corners Branch #593 would like to congratulate 2 of our members who have now become Life Members of the Royal Canadian Legion! This is an important milestone, as our nomination is then approved by Legion Provincial Command, Honours & Awards Committee.

Dave & Ron each receive a Life Member Certificate, Life Member lapel pin and jacket blazer crest identifying them as Life Members. They will also receive a great looking plaque.



Branch 593 – Your New Office Manager

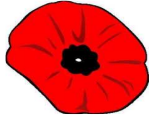
When your able thru the week, Monday to Thursday mornings, please stop by the downstairs Branch office and say Hi to Chris Kearney who has taken over from Sue Beliveau. Sue after 17 years with us has decided to retire with a possible family move to Nova Scotia sometime in the future.



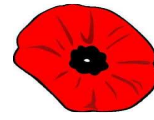
Perley Health Community Care Donation By Branch 593

At our May 21st General Meeting, Branch President Shawn Taillon presented a cheque for \$20,485.00 to the Perley Health Community Care Centre





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**Branch #593 Regulations Update
Branch Regulation S.1208.1(1)
Financial Authority Of The Executive**

The Branch membership at our May 21, 2024 General Membership meeting having considered and debated the motions that were raised on April 15 2024, and that after 30 days Notice Of Motion have decided that:

Step #1 - Current Branch Regulation As Written

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S. 1208. (1)	The financial authority of the Executive Committee shall not exceed five hundred dollars _____, dollars (\$ 500 _____).	2022-06-20
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S. 1208. (1) The financial authority of the Executive Committee shall not exceed _____ dollars (\$ _____).

**Step #2
Notice Of Motion To Change Article S.1208.(1)**

Notice of Motion - General Meeting, 15 April 2024

To Change the Bells Corners current Branch Regulations
Article S.1208.(1). (Current Regulations 20 June 2022)

- To change the financial authority of the Executive Committee shall not exceed from \$500.00 to \$2,000 dollars.

This is a Legion Provincial Command change and approved on
23 January 2024, for all Ontario Branches to amend their Regulations

**Step #3
The Membership of Branch 593 have now decided by vote that for Article S.1208.(1)**

S. 1208.(1) - The financial authority of the Executive Committee shall not exceed **Two Thousand dollars, (\$ 2,000.00)**.

Step #4 - Legion forms will now be submitted to Provincial Command, Constitution & Laws Committee requesting this change to our Branch Regulations. Once approved, Form 3 (our Regulations) will be updated with copies to Ontario Command & within our Branch.

**Branch #593 Regulations Update
Branch Regulation S.404.(1).
A Voting member To be eligible**

The Branch membership at our May 21, 2024 General Membership meeting having considered and debated the motions that were raised on April 15 2024, and that after 30 days Notice Of Motion have decided that:

Step #1 - Current Branch Regulation As Written

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S. 404. (2)	A voting Member, to be eligible for election to Office, must have attended a minimum of _____ three (3) General Meeting(s) during the current fiscal year _____ prior to the date of the Election Meeting.	2022-06-20
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A voting Member, to be eligible for election to Office, must have attended a minimum of _____ (_____) General Meeting(s) during the _____ prior to the date of the Election Meeting.

**Step #2
Notice Of Motion - Change or Amend Article S404.(1).**

Notice of Motion - General Meeting, 15 April 2024

To Change or keep as written, the Bells Corners current Branch Regulations Article S.404.(1). (Current Regulations 20 June 2022)

- To change the current number from 3 to another number;
- To eliminate this Article from the current Branch Regulations;
- To change the current fixed number of 3 to a % of meetings as outlined in follow-on Article S.404.(2) Item (2).

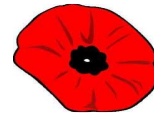
**Step #3
The Membership Of Branch 593 have now decided by vote that for Article S.404.(1):**

We will eliminate this Article from our Regulations.

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**Poppy Campaign
Business Appreciation For Many Years Of
Support To Branch 593**

Bob Harkness presents Shannon Sullivan (Bayshore Mall Manager) with a Bells Corners Poppy Campaign appreciation plaque. Bayshore Mall has over many years provided a safe and welcoming place for our Poppy Campaign table each year.



**Poppy Campaign
Business Appreciation For Many Years
Of Support To Branch 593**

Bob Harkness presents Natalia Gumienny (Costco Co-ordinator-Benefits) with a Bells Corners Poppy Campaign appreciation plaque. The Merivale location has over many years provided a safe and welcoming place for our Poppy Campaign table each year.



Slow Down – In Branch Driveway

Please slow down as you enter using the Branch driveway. We have noticed a number of folks driving too quickly in and out of our driveway. No need for someone to get injured or the feeling you may have if you strike one of our members or guests in your haste.



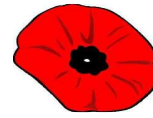
**Business Appreciation For Many Years
Of Support To Branch 593**

Housing Officer Dave Tempeny presents a Bells Corners Legion business appreciation plaque to Cara of Jara Sweeping. This company sweeps our back parking at at no cost each spring.





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Membership Info For 2024

**\$60.00 – 2024 Yearly Dues After
December 1st 2023**

Your Membership Chairperson is Lee McCuaig.
Call us at the Branch at
613-829-4609 or at Membership@legion593.com

Ways to Renew Your Membership

1. Stop by the Branch

4026 Old Richmond Rd., Ottawa.

2. Renew by Phone

1-855-330-3344 (Legion/Dominion HQ)

3. Renew Online

<https://portal.legion.ca/member/membership-renewal>

4. Renew by Mail

Our Branch Mailing address is:

**P.O. Box 11187
Station H, Ottawa, Ontario
K2H 7T9**

Please make cheques payable to **Bells Corners
Legion Branch 593** and in the memo section of
your cheque please write in your Membership
number.



Bells Corners Branch 593(RCL)

General Meeting



**Monthly General Meetings
Are Held The 3rd Monday Of Each Month
(not held in July/Aug. or a stat holiday)
Be Informed Be Heard Be Connected**



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**Business Hours
Summer 2024**

MONDAY – CLOSED

TUESDAY – 1pm TO 10pm

WEDNESDAY – 1pm TO 11pm

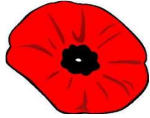
THURSDAY – 1pm TO 10pm

FRIDAY – Noon TO 7pm

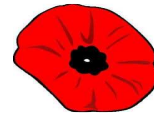
SATURDAY – Noon TO 6pm

SUNDAY – Noon TO 6pm





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Dart League Banquet – Wed May 24th

A fantastic wrap up for the 2023/2024 Wednesday Dart League was held on Wed April 24th. Lots of great food was prepared, and everyone had a feast. Many members were presented with awards. A great evening completed with an amazing cake!



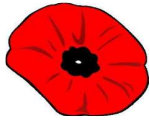
Original Branch Charters Found

Some great news to share! Recently looking thru a group of old documents, we discovered our **ORIGINAL** Branch Charter dated 1961, along with a second dated 1965. The original Branch Charter is very special as it identifies the Branch as The Canadian Legion Of The British Empire Service League! Both have been professional framed and are in our Branch Office. Our current Branch Charter dated 2004, is located in the stairwell to the basement.



Youth Education – Poppy Campaign Branch Awards Afternoon For The Poems, Essay & Paintings Sunday May 5th, 2024





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Bingoland – Volunteers Needed

Please consider helping your Branch by volunteering to assist the folks who play at our local Bingoland on Monday afternoons. There is no money to handle anymore, your duties are meeting and greeting patrons and answering any questions. **The money we receive from Bingoland goes to support our 3 Cadet Corps that we sponsor, and so without your help or this money, we can't support one of the best youth organizations in Canada.**

Your Branch has an agreement to to have some folks from Br 593 assist the Bingoland Gaming Centre. **If we fail to have anyone help, Bingoland can offer this position to another organization, a big monetary loss to our Cadets!** Our small team needs more volunteers, they can't do it alone. **Support your Branch, contact Dave Treleaven, Ron O'Brien, or Bob Harkness to volunteer some time on Monday afternoons with them.**



Veterans Commemorative Park - District G
Located On Hwy 416 - Exit 40 (River Rd)



Along Hwy 416 At Exit 40, There Is a Magnificent Park Sponsored By You, The Members of District G
It Is Dedicated to Those Who Have Served & Those Currently Serving In The Canadian Armed Forces
Stop By And Visit Your Park Anytime



**Friday &
Saturday
Lunch**

**Grill 593
Where The Locals Eat**



Summer Meal Menu

Join Us For Lunch On

Fridays - 12 to 2pm
Saturdays - Dances Only - 12 to 2pm

**Hamburger Platter, Plain Burger,
Cheese Burger, Fries, Hotdog,
Hotdog Platter, Onion Rings**



Our Patio Is Open Each Day!



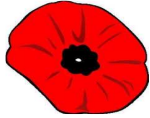
Enjoy The Summer Weather On Our Deck

Don't Forget The Cushions!

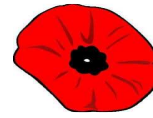


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From The President's Stone Tablet

We did it! We now have a NEW Branch Executive for 2024/25. **Congratulations to your NEW Branch President Jake McDavid.** Congratulations also to all the members who took the leap and volunteered for some of the many positions that need to have someone assist Jake with. There are still many positions that need a volunteer, to help Jake make your Branch a success.

This will be my last opportunity to let you all know I have enjoyed the great times, and all the interesting challenges of being the President of Br 593. **This was ALOT longer** than I had anticipated. Our Branch was successful in obtaining a number of grants that were offered during COVID, and we made it through with a lot of help from your Executive and our members who volunteered in many ways to get us thru this strange period of restrictions. An example of this dedication was our 2 bartenders, Dawn Farrell and Linda Barton. Otherwise, we would have remained closed for many more weeks or months. Thankyou Dawn & Linda!

A big and special thank you to our 17yr Office Manager, Sue Beliveau who has given us outstanding support to this Branch...especially me!! Her dedication to ensure our members have someone to call especially during those wild winter months deserves a big thank you. Sue also kept us operational all through COVID by working from home, otherwise things would have been turned out very different for your Branch. Sue has now retired, with Chris Kearney as your new Branch Office Manager. Please give your support to Chris as he navigates his new job.

A big thank you to the many different members of Executive who volunteered for different positions over the past years. Ed Ruspic, thank you, for those first years in all you did with your advice and support. A special thankyou to last year's Executive for their dedication and willingness to assist me in the operations of your Branch. I have had great teams to help ensure your Branch remained operational and successful.

From The President's Stone Tablet – Con't

I am stepping down as your President for various reasons. My health is #1, as I have some issues that I need to take care of. Second reason is that a number of months ago, I received a promotion from my company and this now causes me to spend more time engaged in the various aspects of this promotion. This gives me less time to deal with all the issues that require my attention of a Branch President. Thirdly, I am proud of my 7yrs as your President, I had only considered 1 or 2yrs, including our 60th Anniversary, but as we know life often throws curve balls at you and time sure passes quickly, including COVID months. The Branch is in great shape financially which I am very pleased to let you know.

Some, but not all of our accomplishments are a new handicap ramp, new building windows, a new and safer design of our front steps, a new building boiler, and an updated Branch Cenotaph that now **includes ALL** the conflicts Canada has participated in from the Boer War thru to Afghanistan. The time is right for me to step aside and let a new President take the challenge of representing the membership of Branch 593.

I won't be going far though, Jake has asked me to fill the "Past President" position, which I will be happy to do. I will also be discussing with Jake any positions that are currently vacant that I may be able to assist him with.

All in all, a very rewarding and very challenging number of years as your President. I wouldn't have wanted it any other way..... although there were some very, very, interesting situations!

Thank you to all the members of Bells Corners Branch 593 for your support over the last years, and I hope to still see and visit with you, as we stop in or visit together at this great Branch.

Shawn Taillon
Past President
Bells Corners Branch 593(RCL)