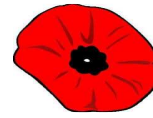




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Last Post

October – no names at time of printing

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

Mr. Tom Watson is our Branch Chaplain, and he can be reached at 613-697- 6334, OR Chaplain@legion593.com

2023 - PayTribute Poppy Box (TAP)

Again, this year, The Royal Canadian Legion has partnered with HSBC Bank Canada to make it safe, secure, and easier than ever to donate and wear a poppy with touchless HSBC “Pay Tribute” tap-enabled donation boxes.

HSBC Bank Canada has distributed specifically designed Poppy Boxes across Canada that empower Canadians to make a donation of \$2, \$5 or \$10 with a simple tap of a payment card (credit or debit), or through a payment app on their mobile.

Our Bells Corners Branch expects to have Poppy Tap Boxes in the following locations:

- NDHQ Carling Campus – Canex Store
- Bayshore Mall
- Costco – Hunt Club Rd - Store
- Algonquin College
- Movati Gym on Merivale Rd
- Bells Corners Branch – at the Bar



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Business Hours Fall 2023

MONDAY – CLOSED

TUESDAY – 1pm TO 10pm

WEDNESDAY – 1pm TO 11pm

THURSDAY – 1pm TO 10pm

FRIDAY – Noon TO 7pm

SATURDAY – Noon TO 6pm

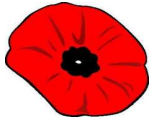
SUNDAY – Noon TO 6pm



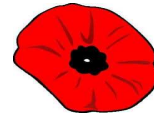
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www.legion593.com

Visit our Branch Facebook page
Bells Corners Legion Branch 593

Visit District G website
www.districtlegion.ca



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Branch Christmas - 2023 Food Drive



Bells Corners 593



We will soon be thinking of the holiday season. While making your grocery shopping list, please think about the families that are less fortunate. Many families this year are struggling, wondering how to put food on the table to feed their families. To all our members, if you can please add a few nonperishable items to your grocery cart, bring those items to our Branch and put them in our decorated boxes so we can help make their season a better one. George Kiel our bartender will be taking the donated items to the FAMSAC Food Bank (Bells Corners) for distribution to families located in our area. Decorated boxes will be in the Rear Lounge near at the bar starting Tuesday Nov 14, 2023 until Wednesday Dec 20, 2023. If you would like to make a monetary donation there will be a decorated donation box at the bar also.



Poppy Campaign Help - Bucket

We need your help to supply us with some 2 liter plastic ice-cream containers or ones that look like this. It helps our Poppy coin counting team work their magic in the money counting process. If you can help, drop off any of these style buckets at the Bar, and thank you.

Branch 593 Golf Tournament Fall 2023



It has been a while, but a reminder that your Branch held a fun golf tournament this past last August 2023. We held the tournament at the 9-hole Scottish Glen Golf Course, located just outside Carleton Place. We had a full slate of golfers (36) with a foursome on every hole for the shot-gun start. We were lucky to have great weather! The golf tournament was followed up with a buffet lunch back at the Branch. Thanks to many generous donors, we had a large prize table, and everyone who played golf received a thank you prize. In addition to the golf, we ran a putting contest and an auction. Our tournament raised \$2,136.98 and with a “rounding up” contribution by the Branch, our new total becomes \$5,000. Veteran’s House Ottawa, known as the Andy Carswell Building is located on the old Ottawa Rockcliffe Air Base, and provides homes to 40 homeless or near-homeless veterans in individual units within the complex. Well done to one and all for supporting this much needed and important veteran’s service! Special thanks to all the ladies who donated their time and created a delicious buffet lunch for our hungry crew of golfers. Special thanks also to the Scottish Glen golf course for hosting our event. We hope to see more golfers next year!

110th Grey Cup – Hamilton



**Come Out To Your Branch For A Great Evening
Of Canadian Football**

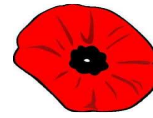
Lasagna/Cesar Salad

**Sunday November 19, 2023
Game Starts @ 1800hrs**

**Food Available \$15.00
Prizes To Be Won During The Game**



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2023 Poppy Campaign

This year's poppy campaign will run from **Friday, October 27th to Thursday, November 10th**. We will need YOU, our great volunteers again this year to help us make another successful campaign.

- **Algonquin College**, we will have a Poppy table at Algonquin College this year with Poppy boxes throughout the college campus.
- **Loblaws (Bells Corners)** we hope to have a Poppy table at this location.
- **Costco** is allowing the Branch to have a Poppy table at their store again this year from November 1st to November 10th.
- **Bayshore Mall** has agreed to allow a Poppy table in their store this year.
- **Walmart (Bayshore Mall)** we will have a Poppy table in their store again this year. We are in discussion with the store manager to determine what their safety and hours requirements are.
- **All Our Branch Poppy Routes – 2023**
We will need lots of Trapline/Route Captains to volunteer to get our boxes out to local business.

If you can assist in any way with our Campaign as a Volunteer at one of the tables listed above or can be Trapline Captain, please contact our Branch. **Lots of details in this newsletter.**

**Call and leave your name at the Branch Office
613 829 4609 OR
email Poppy-Campaign@legion593.com**

Weekly Branch Events

- **Euchre** – Each Tuesday night at 7pm in the downstairs Banquet Hall.
- **Darts** – Each Wednesday night at 7pm in downstairs Banquet Hall.
- **Darts - Darts Drop-in Saturdays - 12pm**
- **Branch Pool League** – Each Thursday night starting at 7pm. Open to all. Check for Tournament dates.
- **Rentals** of the Branch halls can be requested. Contact the Branch at 613 829-4609 or legion593.ca@rogers.com

Slow Down – In Branch Driveway



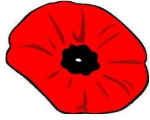
Please slow down as you enter using the Branch driveway. We have noticed a number of folks driving too quickly in and out of our driveway. No need for someone to get injured or the feeling you may have if you strike one of our members or guests in your haste.

Don't Forget

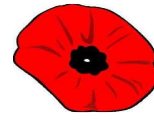
Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP Veterans and serving members are eligible for a **free, one-year Legion membership**.

NEW - A **free first year of membership** is also now open to all parents or guardians, spouses and children 18+ of serving, retired or passed CAF and RCMP members who had not joined the Legion in the past.

Contact our Membership Chairman on how to apply.
Membership@legion593.com



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Bells Corners #593 Remembrance Week Lawn Signs Limited Supply!!!

Purchase a Remembrance Day Lawn sign this year! **This design was created by members of your Bells Corners Branch.** Our price is \$20.00 (wire ground mount included). If you are unable to visit the Branch, let us know and we will deliver it you. Our sign has one side in English and one side in French.



Other Ways To Purchase Your Remembrance Day lawn sign:

Purchase one at the Bar after Oct 17th

OR

Call the Bells Corners Branch at 613 829 4609 and leave your name. We'll contact you!

OR

Poppy-Campaign@legion593.com

Stay Informed, check these Legion sites

- Branch website www.legion593.com
- Facebook - [Bells Corners Legion Branch 593](#)
- Zone G5 Website - www.rcl-zoneg5.ca
- District G website - www.districtglegion.ca

Membership 2023



Early Bird Membership Campaign Begins 1 September to 30 November 2023

We have received all the new membership card stickers or cards. Pickup yours today from our bartenders!

2024 Early Bird Membership Price is \$50.00

After November 30th, 2023 returns to \$60.00

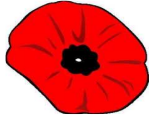
Purchase your Early Bird membership **NOW** and your name will then be entered into our draw held each month to December!

Prize Each Month is \$50.00 Value

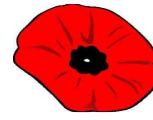
September – \$50.00 Loblaws Gift Card
Winner is **Gordon Stockdale**

October - \$50.00 LCBO Gift Card

November - \$50.00 VISA Gift Card



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Branch Events – Fall 2023

October

Jim Brazeau Memorial Tournament
Saturday October 14th – Registration 10am
8 Ball Singles

Saturday Afternoon Dance – October 14th
The Treblemakers w/special guest Rick King
1pm to 5pm

Branch General Meeting – Monday 16 Oct
7pm – Front Lounge

Saturday Afternoon Dance – October 28th
Halloween Party - The Classics – 1pm to 5pm

November

Sunday Veterans Remembrance Dinner
Sunday 5 November – 3pm to 8pm

Remembrance Day Parade – November 11th
Nepean Cenotaph – details in next newsletter

Saturday Afternoon Dance – November 11th
Arc Of Fire – 1pm to 5pm

Branch General Meeting – Monday 20 Nov
7pm – Front Lounge

Saturday Afternoon Dance – November 25th
Divided Highway – 1pm to 5pm

Military History Talks – Norm Christie – Nov 26th
Front Lounge – 2pm

Veterans & Seniors Christmas Party – December 6th
Lauren Hall – 1pm to 5pm

2023 Poppy Campaign **October 27 to November 10th** **Poppy Volunteers Needed**

Our Poppy Campaign is dependent on volunteers.
Being a Legion member is not a requirement to help.

We hope to have Poppy tables at these locations:

- ** Costco (Hunt Club & Merivale Rd)
– (November 1st to November 10th)
- ** Bayshore Mall – (main floor)
- ** Algonquin College
- ** Walmart – Bayshore Mall location

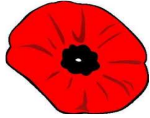
We have 17 Branch Poppy Routes (supply poppies to business identified on trapline worksheet)

- ** Bells Corners Area – 5 Routes
- ** College Square Area
- ** Greenbank Road Area (South of Baseline to Fallowfield)
- ** Merivale Road Area (South of baseline to Fallowfield Road) – 4 Routes
- ** the Centrepointe Area
- ** Hunt Club Road Area (from Merivale Road to Prince of Wales Road)
- ** Colonnade Road Area
- ** Antares Drive & Auriga Road Area
- ** Schools in our Branch Boundaries

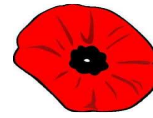
Please help us by volunteering so we can continue to support our local Veterans and the organizations that support our Veterans.

For more information and to volunteer to complete a Poppy Route/Trapline, please attend our 2023 Poppy Campaign Information session on

**Sunday, October 1st, 2023, at 2:00 pm
at the Branch**



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**Annual Veterans Remembrance Dinner
Sunday November 5th, 2023**



Social - 14:00hrs - Upstairs Front Lounge

Dinner - 16:00hrs - Downstairs Banquet Hall

Mr Norm Christie Will Be Our Guest Speaker

**Tickets At The Bar – Available from
Tuesday Oct 17th to Thursday Nov 2nd, 1600hrs.**

**Veteran w/Guest, FREE w/ticket
Widow/Widower w/Guest FREE w/ticket**

Reg(F) or Res(F) w/Guest – FREE w/ticket

Non-Veteran: \$30.00 (includes taxes)

A Lolachers Catered Dinner

Butternut Squash Soup,
Roast Beef,
Mashed Potatoes with Mixed Vegetables
Dinner Roll, and Crème Caramel for Desert.

Complimentary Wine & Port

Serving Military: DEU w/Medals, Mess Kit.
Legion members - Legion Uniform

Non uniform members/guests – Men - suit, sports
coat, slacks, Women - appropriate attire

**Special dietary requirements contact
Sue Jannack at 613-875-5270**

**Saturday November 11, 2023
Remembrance Day Ceremony**



**A Remembrance Day Ceremony which will be held
at the Nepean Community Cenotaph.** This
Cenotaph is located at the northwest corner of the
grounds of Ben Franklin Place, Centerpointe Drive,
Nepean (Ottawa)

The Branch will be open, November 11th, beginning at
0900am to gather folks for the bus ride to the
Cenotaph.

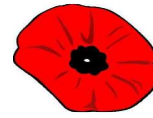
- **The Branch Remembrance Day
Ceremony will commence at
10:55am.** If you are attending, please
be there by 10:40am.

**A bus has been rented for members to take from
the Branch to Centrepoint and return. Leave your
vehicle at the Branch. Bus leaves for Centrepoint
approximately 10:20 am**

- Food will be available at the Branch, after the
ceremony.
- **Note:** The bar will be open to everyone once
the parade participants have returned from the
ceremony and had a chance to receive a
beverage. This has been our Branch protocol
for many years.



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We Will Remember Them



BOER WAR – 1899 to 1902

- 7,000 Canadians, including 12 women nurses, served overseas.
- 267 died

WORLD WAR I – 1914 to 1918

- 628,736 Canadians served.
- 66,573 died and 138,166 were wounded.
- 2,818 were taken prisoner of war.
- 175 merchant seamen died by enemy action

WORLD WAR II – 1939 to 1945

- 1,031,902 male and 49,963 female Canadians served.
- 44,927 died and 53,145 were wounded.
- 8,271 were taken prisoner of war.
- 1,146 merchant seamen died by enemy action.

KOREA – 1950 to 1953

- 26,791 Canadians served.
- 516 died and 1,558 were wounded
- 33 were taken prisoner of war.

THE GULF WAR – 1990 to 1991

- 3,837 male Canadian and 237 female Canadians served.
- No Canadian casualties during the Gulf War.

PEACEKEEPING – ongoing missions

- 125,000 Canadians have served since 1947 including 1,500 from the RCMP and other police forces.
- Canadians have served on over 100 missions.
- There have been 113 Canadian casualties on these missions.

AFGHANISTAN WAR – 2001 to 2014

- 40,000 plus Canadians served.
- 165 died, of that number 7 were Canadian civilians
- 2047 were wounded.
- No Canadians were taken prisoner.

WE Need You To Attend Your Branch General Meetings. Without You Attendance. We May Not Be Able to Pass Important Motions Or Pay Important Bills.



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Bells Corners Branch 593(RCL)



General Meeting
Monthly General Meetings
Are Held The 3rd Monday Of Each Month
(unless a stat holiday)

Be Informed Be Heard Be Connected



Bells Corners Branch #593
New Year's Day Levee



January 1st 2023 - Starting At
11:00 am

Enjoy Music Performed by -
Arc Of Fire

Moose Milk, Refreshments
And Homemade Food Will Be
Available

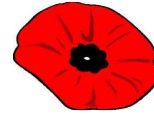
You Are Invited To Come And
Join The Branch Executive
To Celebrate The Start Of the
New Year!



Arc Of Fire
Band



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Legion **Bells Corners Branch #593** Legion

The Branch Will be Closed

Thanksgiving Sunday 8 October 2023



VETERANS SERVICE CARD - VSC

All Canadian Armed Forces Veterans May Apply For The NEW Style

Veteran's Service Card

Lost/Replacement - Or If You Did Not Receive One On Release.

Applications From Any Canadian Armed Forces Veteran

Released Before February 2016 Are Accepted

[Use This Link to Learn How To Apply](https://veterans-service-card.canada.ca/en/) → veterans-service-card.canada.ca/en/

NOTE: THERE IS NO MINIMUM TIME SERVED. There are only 2 requirements.

- (1) COMPLETED BASIC TRAINING
- (2) BEEN HONORABLY RELEASED FROM THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

If You Have Any Questions On How To Apply – See Brad Curtis At The Branch

Legion Service Year Pins Come And Get Yours!



Stop by the Branch anytime, and visit with the bartender to pick up your free Legion Service lapel pin which are for all our members....all Affiliate, Associate, Ordinary & Life members. Just stop by and ask the bartender,your free lapel pin is waiting for you.

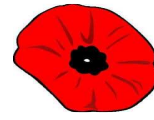
Members – Please Show More Respect



This picture is what greets our visitors and guests at our front door steps! Lots of cigarette butts left on the ground. Please when smoking outside use the provided containers, or don't smoke in NO Smoking areas. Consider why you would make other members of the Branch clean this up after you? Be respectful, it's your Branch! This problem seems to be getting worse.



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National Monument to Canada's Mission in Afghanistan



Canada has announced the winning design for the National Monument to Canada's Mission in Afghanistan which will be located across the street from the National War Museum.(east side) Visual artist Adrian Stimson, a member of the Siksika (Blackfoot) First Nation in southern Alberta and a veteran of the Canadian Armed Forces who has been to Afghanistan, was chosen by the government as the winner. **Link** - [National Monument to Canada's Mission in Afghanistan - Veterans Affairs Canada](#)

Branch Service Officer

Your **Branch Service Officer** (Veterans Service Officer) is Bob Macnichol.

Bob is more than willing to assist any Veteran with a potential claim and help you determine what benefits you may be entitled to. Please include your contact phone number if you email the Branch Service Officer.

You can reach Bob at: VSO@legion593.com

Visit our Branch website
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Visit our Branch Facebook page
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Visit District G website
www.districtlegion.ca

Membership 2024



Your membership chairperson is Comrade **Brian Taillon**. He can be contacted by calling 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:

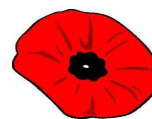
P.O. Box 11187
Station H, Ottawa, Ontario
K2H 7T9

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

Don't forget to pick up your 2024 Membership card or sticker soonest, to keep your service years and Legion Magazine. Stop by and speak with our bartenders to receive yours.



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From The President's Stone Tablet

Membership - Early Bird Campaign began 1 September. If you renew your membership right away, it will be \$50.00 if you pay before 30 November. When visiting the Branch our bartenders will assist you with receiving your 2024 sticker or card. If you have any questions, contact our Branch membership chair, Brian Taillon using Membership@legion593.com or call the Branch office to leave a message.

Grey Cup will be a fun event again this year, we hope to see you at the Branch watching the big game on our **NEW Big Television!** Food will be available as always. Hope to see you there.

Poppy Campaign - We're almost ready! **Bob Harkness is this year's Poppy Campaign Chair.** We always welcome back the volunteers who assist us each year, but we do need more of you to volunteer and sign up to help make this a great campaign year. You do not need to be a member of Branch 593 or a veteran to help us, so please stop by the Branch anytime where our bartenders will be happy to take your name and pass it to Bob. If you have a favorite trapline or a certain time thru the day you can volunteer, let us know. **Our Poppy Volunteer Meeting/Rally is on Sunday 1 October at 2pm.** If you have any questions or would like to request a certain route, contact Bob at: Poppy-Campaign@legion593.com or leave a message at the Branch.

Details for our annual Veterans Tribute Dinner and Remembrance Day Parade are in this newsletter. We also always need some help to set up all the bits and pieces at the Nepean Cenotaph on November 11th, so if you can, please let me know if you can help, all the set up etc is much easier with a few more hands. Leave your name at the bar or call the Branch office to leave a message and we will be in touch.

- Stay safe

Shawn Taillon
President
Bells Corners Legion Branch #593

**Bells Corners Legion #593
Veterans & Seniors Luncheon
Christmas Party
Wednesday December 6th, 2023**

**Lauren Hall will be with us
No Cost – Light Meal Will Be Served**

Local Retirement Residences are will be invited. If you and your residence would like to have folks attend, let us know. Santa has been asked to visit.



Bells Corners Branch 593 – New Years Eve Party

Sunday, December 31, 2023

7:00 pm to 2:00 am

Doors Open At 7:00 pm

Buffet Served At Approximately 10:30 pm

Bring in the New Year
With A Glass of Champagne At Your Branch

Hats, Noisemakers And Other Neat Stuff Included

**Happy
New Year
2024**

Meal - Cold Cuts - Cheese Tray - Sandwiches

Music Performed by Arc Of Fire

Price - Watch in next newsletter or Facebook announcement

Tickets Available Until Closing Time December 29, 2023

