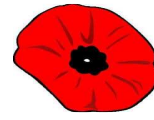




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Last Post

September/October – no members

April 2021 - Wayne Watkins

Please let us know of any members who pass away so we could assist the family, inform the membership and update our records.

President@legion593.com

You can also contact the Branch Chaplain at:
613-828-2314 or Chaplain@legion593.com

Branch Emails

Once every 2 months the Branch will send out a newsletter on what is happening at your Branch. Be assured that your personal email address will not be shared with anyone, or 3rd party companies.

Occasionally the Branch will also email our members important news or updated information on events.

If you, or someone you know is not receiving our newsletter, or emails please send the President their email address and we will update asap.

President@legion593.com

Branch Service Officer

The Branch Service Officer (Veterans Service Officer) is Ted Bransfield CD.

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

You can reach Ted at: VSO@legion593.com

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Front Steps Renovation Completed!!

Our front entrance steps have been completed and the railings have now been installed. Try out the new steps on a visit, these are a great safety improvement.



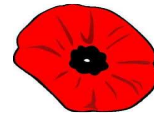
Annual Veterans Dinner – Cancelled

Our Branch November 2021 Veterans Dinner is sadly cancelled again this year due to Covid protocols. Currently we are **allowed only 49 veterans/guests to be seated** in our downstairs banquet hall. Therefore, the Executive has decided that it would be unfair to determine who could attend and deny others from attending under these circumstances.

We'll get thru this together and meet next year.



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Queensway Carleton Hospital Foundation Bells Corners Branch 593(RCL) 2020 Poppy Fund Donation

A cheque of \$9,000 was presented to Karalee Bowles on behalf of the Ottawa Carleton Hospital Foundation
On 16 September 2021



University Of Ottawa Heart Institute Foundation Bells Corners Branch 593(RCL) 2020 Poppy Fund Donation

A cheque of \$9,500.00 dollars was presented to Lindsay Firestone on behalf of the University Heart Institute
On 16 September 2021



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**Business Hours
During COVID 2021**

MONDAY – CLOSED

TUESDAY – 1pm TO 8pm

WEDNESDAY – 1pm TO 10pm

THURSDAY – 1pm TO 6pm

FRIDAY – Noon TO 7pm

SATURDAY – Noon TO 6pm

SUNDAY – CLOSED



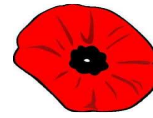
Korean Veterans BBQ – 28 August

Bells Corners Branch 593 was thrilled to host the annual fall BBQ with our area Korean Veterans Association members on Saturday 28 August 2021





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November 11, 2021 Remembrance Day Ceremony - UPDATE

The Nepean Community Remembrance Day Ceremony held at the Nepean Cenotaph is cancelled for this year.....however...

WE will instead have a small Remembrance Day Ceremony which will be held on the front lawn of our Branch as we did last year. This will be by invitation only because of limited space on the front lawn and COVID protocols. Challenges with transporting our Veterans (no busses available), the logistics of set up, sanitizing of chairs & equipment etc, along with the distancing instructions demanded by Ottawa Health presented to many challenges to conduct a ceremony at the Nepean Community Cenotaph, Centrepont.

The Branch will be open, November 11th, but with limited seating under Provincial & Ottawa Health protocols.

- Food will be available, but will be served to a member & guest individually. There will be no pot-luck as in past years due to COVID rules.

We intend to tape our ceremony, for those who will be unable to attend. This is so that we don't compete with the National Ceremony held downtown Ottawa held at the same time. More details on this once all the details are finalized.

Watch for the details coming very soon!!!

Your Executive proudly will ensure that we provide a Remember Day Ceremony to honor all our fallen Veterans, the servicing members of the Canadian Armed Forces, and their families.

Branch Events - NEW - UPDATE

The Executive has discussed and made decisions on the following Branch events.

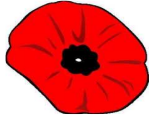
- **Euchre - Tuesday nights at 7pm** in the downstairs banquet hall has started again.
- **Darts - Starting again each Wednesday 7pm.** There will also be a **Dart Drop-in beginning Saturday October 16th, starts at noon**
- **Pool Leagues** - have not yet restarted. But there is ongoing discussion on how and when they can restart under current COVID protocols. Watch our Facebook and Website.
- **Friday Night Dinners - remain cancelled** until further notice. Our catering company is still planning a method to provide a safe buffet environment. **The caterer has advised prices will be increasing.**
- **Dances - Good News** - There will be periodically, Dances scheduled at the Branch in coming months.
- **Rentals** of the Branch halls can now be requested and are subject to Ontario and City of Ottawa protocols.

Legion Face Masks

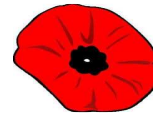
SALE - SALE - SALE
½ PRICE - \$5.00

Bells Corners Branch has the awesome Legion Logo masks from Dominion Supply. The sizes are **Large and Small. Pick yours up at the Bar!**

The cost of our mask is \$ 5.00 including taxes with the proceeds going toward the ongoing purchases of our COVID 19 supplies for the Branch.



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Membership 2022 News

Your membership chairperson is
Comrade Brian Taillon.

Ways to Renew Your Membership

1. **Stop by the Branch**
4026 Old Richmond Rd., Ottawa.
2. **Renew by Phone**
1-855-330-3344 (Dominion HQ)
3. **Renew Online**
<https://portal.legion.ca/member/membership-renewal>

You will need to login to your account or create an account on the Dominion website. To create a new account, follow the instructions on the **right side of the Dominion web page.**

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

Your Legion membership can help you save money with MemberPerks® which gives Legion members access to thousands of offers and deals at stores and restaurants across Canada, including national chains, local businesses and online stores.

MemberPerks® is included free with membership. It can save you \$1000s every year — so your membership could pay for itself many times over! [Register today](#) to start saving.
New to the Legion? You can access MemberPerks® 30 days after your Legion membership number has been issued. Watch for an email coming in the next few weeks with information on how to activate your MemberPerks® account!



**Our Early Bird Membership
Campaign Has Begun!!!**

1 September to 30 November 2021

**We have received our new membership cards
and year stickers. Get yours today!**
**Your 2022 Membership card or
sticker is available at the Bar.**

2022 Early Bird Membership Price is \$50.00
After 30 November 2021 - \$60.00

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

Prize Each Month is \$50.00 Value

October – Loblaws Gift Card

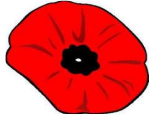
November - LCBO Gift Card

December - \$50.00 Gift Card

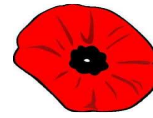
Don't Forget

Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP Veterans and serving members are eligible **for a free, one-year Legion membership.** Contact our Membership Chairman for how to apply.

Membership@legion593.com



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Bells Corners Branch #593 (RCL) 60th Anniversary - 1961 to 2021

This is our 60th Anniversary crest design. A 60th Anniversary Lapel pin will soon arrive for purchase.

We are currently obtaining quotes for items that could be embroidered onto various items such as hats, golf shirts etc. Watch your Branch Website, and Facebook for news.



Note: Current Royal Canadian Legion, Dominion Command policy does not allow the Legion crest to be used in any crest.



Our Branch Cenotaph Has Returned

Our Cenotaph is now back in place and looks amazing! Thankyou Yolkowski Monuments of Cobden. Updated to identify conflicts that the men and women of the CAF have served and sacrificed.



2021 Poppy Campaign *NEWS*

Poppy Campaign Volunteers Meeting Sunday October 17th, 2pm

We need everyone's help to run a successful campaign

We need volunteers for our Poppy tables at
Hunt Club Costco & Bayshore Mall

Sign up for a local Poppy Route!
Poppy Route drivers are needed to supply our local
businesses with Poppies, and Poppy coin boxes.

This year's poppy campaign will run from
Friday, October 29th, 2021
to Wednesday, November 10th, 2021.

Join Us On Sunday October 17th, 2pm For Our Volunteers Meeting

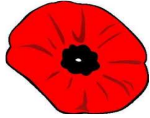
Branch Housing – An Update

NCC Fencing – the NCC has now surveyed our driveway fence line that is falling down. We asked them to determine if the fence is our responsibility or theirs.

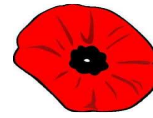
The survey now confirms the fence is NCC's to repair or rebuild!! We have this first step completed, and this will now put us in their que of projects. When will the fence and wall be replaced? No date can be given as more surveying, some engineering diagrams on where to rebuild the wall and type of fence to be used will be required. Bottom line...work is in progress now....and it will be safer and better.

Tree – front corner driveway tree will be removed in November as it is diseased and splitting. A professional contractor has been hired.

Housing Officer - Dave Tempeny



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Bells Corners #593 Remembrance Week Lawn Signs Are Now Available

Purchase a Remembrance Day Lawn sign designed 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 to you. Our sign has one side in English and one side in French.



Other Ways To Purchase Your Remembrance Day lawn sign contact:

Purchase one at the bar;

OR

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

OR

Poppy-Campaign@legion593.com

Volunteers Needed At Your Branch

Over time and with life changes in various forms, some of our volunteers are now unable to continue in their current positions. Now more than ever, the Branch is in need of volunteers (new and old) to step up and help us achieve the mission of the Legion.

- Many positions on the Branch Executive need to be filled, please let us know if you are willing to take on a challenge with us. Positions we need your help with are:

3rd Vice

Secretary

Chairperson

Public Relations/Newsletter

Bingo Coordinator

Help With Any Of The Various Committees

We need your help to have the Branch run effectively, please consider one of these positions and become part of our team.

Contact any member of the Executive, we need your support now!

President@legion593.com

OR

1st-Vice@legion593.com