

**Minutes of General Meeting  
Held At Branch 92  
Tuesday 9 Oct 2018**

**Committee Members Present**

President Wes Rideout  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Bob Howard  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Ray Foster

Executive Members Alf Read  
Anne Parker  
Doug Johnston  
John Robertson  
Owen Fitzgerald  
Gloria MacMillan  
Jim McGee  
Deborah McGee  
Secretary Bill Beswetherick  
Manger Ann DeWolfe

**Committee Members Absent**

Janet Gaylord  
Cliff Weir

**President** There were 23 members in attendance.

Wes thanked Janet Gaylord for organizing an excellent dedication of the new Lansdowne Veterans Memorial that was attended by over 150 people. The Gananoque Legion and the Poppy Fund financially supported the memorial.

Wes noted that there will be a joint Branch Executive and Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Thurs 11 Oct. 3 pm.

**Treasurer** As of 9 Oct the Branch has \$56,252.09 in its General Fund and \$79,973.16 in its Building Fund for a total of \$136,225.25 that can be used for operations and upkeep.

**Lottery** There was \$11,774.20 in the Lottery Fund.

**Poppy** The first poppies will be presented to the veterans residing at Fox run on Fri 26 Oct at 11 am.

Poppy Day is Sat 3 Nov. Murray Salter and Owen Fitzgerald outlined a need for volunteers to sell wreaths at local businesses. They would be available after the meeting to brief volunteers.

Bill Beswetherick noted that Branches are now authorized to use Poppy Funds to purchase ribbon-making machines. He asked for approval of an expenditure of up to \$850 to purchase one and miscellaneous supplies. The ribbons could be made for other branches for their wreaths. At present wreaths from Ontario Command cost up to \$18 each.

**Sports** Bob Howard noted that the golf season is coming to a close and that there will be a dinner for the Branch participants Sat 27 Oct. Bob plans on a Golf League for 2019 and is negotiating with local golf courses to allow more flexibility for participants.

Zone Cribbage 3 Nov at Seeley's Bay. Wes noted that he had objected to the Zone Commander that 3 Nov for most Branches also is their Poppy Day.

Zone Darts will be Delta 24 Nov with closing deadline for registering 4 Nov. Bob noted he wanted to start a dart league for Branch members. He is interested in ideas.

**Youth Education** Judging for Remembrance theme posters will occur 10 am on Sat 10 Nov.

**Honours and Awards** Alf Read will convene a meeting to discuss the awards such as Legionnaire of the Year and Honouree of the Year.

**Service Officer** Alf Read noted that three files involving local veterans are with the Ontario Command Service Officer.

**Manager** The Branch is entering the part of the year when we will have many bookings for events. There will be a Pub Crawl on Sat 10 Nov. There is a plan to require those playing darts Wed evening to pay a small fee to partly reimburse the Branch which must pay to have a bartender on duty during the event.

**PRO** The Queen's University Band will participate in the Gananoque Remembrance Day ceremonies.

**New Business** Sharron Dorey outlined upcoming Sun afternoon dances. The 30 Sep dance was well attended. 28 Oct will feature The Reasons and 18 Nov Tim Hallman and Terry Hoffman. Come out to these dances. A small cover charge and light meals are served.

Deborah McGee noted that there will be a display at the Arthur Child Heritage Museum featuring Gananoque and the First World War. Notices will appear shortly in the Gananoque newspaper. .

The next General meeting Tue 13 Nov will be preceded by a spaghetti meal starting at 5 PM. Dress for the evening is civilian clothing.

**Adjournment** At 7:50 Alf Read made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ray Foster. Carried.

Wes Rideout  
President

Bill Beswetherick  
Secretary