

#### The Royal Canadian Legion Kingsway Branch No. 175

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"The Home of Hospitality"

#### **Jan 2020**

#### **BRANCH HOURS**

Mon - 5:00 pm - Close Tue - Sat 10.00 am - Close Sunday - Closed

#### **BRANCH OFFICE**

Mon - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Tue - Sat 10.00 am - 8.00 pm Sunday – Closed

#### **KITCHEN**

Mon - 5:00 - 8:00 pm Tue - Sat 11.00 am - 8.00 pm Sunday - Closed

#### BRANCH GENERAL MEETING

The last Tuesday of every month except July, August, and December

## Members in Good Standing as of Dec 20, 2019 Life Members 24 Ordinary 634 Associate 505 Affiliate 490 Total: 1653

#### Saturday January, 11 3 - 5 pm Following the Meat Draw



MUSIC POKER
Come and test you music trivia knowledge
Prizes to be won

#### 2020 Membership Dues



If you have not renewed your Legion Membership for 2020 we ask that you contact the front office and complete your registration.

#### Comrades,

As I begin my 4<sup>th</sup> term as President I wonder what challenges the new year will bring. I'm sure that our financial concerns will be number one, followed very closely with increasing membership attendance.

As with every not-for-profit organization, volunteers are the backbone of our success. Last year we were able to obtain two grants as a result of volunteer hours. Our volunteer's hours for 2019 is just over **5,600** Most the grants we apply for have set a \$25/hr rate for volunteer work that's **\$140,000** worth of donation in kind. Next time you're in the Legion and you see someone helping chances are they are a volunteer, take a moment and thank them.

I would like to send out a special thanks to all our members who fulfilled their obligation to the Royal Canadian Legion by participating in this year's Poppy Campaign. For the first time in year we had every position filled. Bravo Zulu!

I welcome those Legion Members that have stepped forward and picked up the torch and offered to serve as members of this year's executive. I look forward to working with you in ensuring our member's welfare are looked after. I would like to thank all members of the past executive for all their hard work and countless hours they have put in over the year. Without their dedication we wouldn't be as strong as we are.

Kingsway Legion is proud to have a **Zero Tolerance Harassment Policy** in place. All Legion members and their guest should feel welcome. In the event you feel unsafe please let me or a member of the executive know. In the event that you can't find a Exec member you can contact the front desk.

Promoting our connection with 504 (Blatchford Field) Air Cadet Sqn RCACS, 180 (Field 20th Fld Regt RCA) RCACC, #55 CB Hill Navy League Cadet Corps, and 1809 RCACC (Loyal Edmonton Regiment) will continue. As well, we will continue to support the two long care facilities we have been a part of for decades.

The Ladies Auxiliary are an integral part any legion and we are lucky to have our dedicated members. I ask that you give them the support they deserve to meet their mission.

We continually are working to keep the website up to date and sending you a monthly newsletter. Our hope is the you use these tools to keep abreast of what's happening at your Branch and to encourage you to "come on down".

In the 35 years of volunteering I have learned that the only way to make changes it to do it from within. So, get involved, come to meetings, share your ideas, participate in the various activities or events. Support your Legion and join us for fun and camaraderie.

I wish to express my sincere and heartfelt thanks and look forward to another successful year as your president.

Yours in Comradeship,

Ron Wills, CD

President

Kingsway Legion



#### Membership

	Our Newest Members
	If you see our new members in the Legion please
	take a moment out and welcome them.



As there were no meetings held in December as a result we haven't had a chance to recognise any of our volunteers.

#### **Fallen Comrades**

It is with deep regret that we announce the following members have passed on since we last gathered together.

Name	Age	Date	Service
HEROUX, Jocelyn	73	27 Nov	RCAF



#### **Weekly Events**



#### Friday & Saturday Night Dances

Come and Dance to Our live band 7:00 - 11:00 pm

**Birthday Parties Welcome** 

(Reserve Your Seats Now)

For a list of the band playing this week go to:

https://kingswaylegion.ca/weekly-entertainment

#### Country Jam Session

Kingsway Legion present open mic jamborees every Thursday night from 6:30 to 10:30 pm.

Come early and enjoy a meal before the show.

Weekly Meal Specials are available.

Doors open at 5:00 pm Music from 6:30 - 10:30 pm

\$5.00 Cover Charge

**Dancers Welcome** 

**Birthday Parties Welcome** (Reserve Your Seats Now)

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Saturday January, 25 3 - 5 pm

Following the Meat Draw

DANCE PARTY – CC & HIGH RYDER

A good old fashion hall dance.

#### **Kingsway Legion Ladies Auxiliary**



The Ladies Auxiliary's Bake Sale and Raffle was considered a huge success. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who donated the delicious baking and neat crafting items. We had no idea our craft table would be so full!! Our Turkey and Ham draw was probably one for the record books. Again, thanks for your support. Without the patronage of our members, the Ladies Auxiliary could not continue to support the Legion, Cadets and Veterans as we do.

Speaking of Veterans, we were able to provide simple gifts for the 120 residents of Kipnes. Each person received socks, gloves, tissue and smaller items. Our committee members for those donations are to be commended.

Two of our members Estelle Comeau and Eldean Baskerville attended the 504 Blatchford Field RCACS Cadet Change of Command Parade. The Cadets were very focused and impressive to watch on parade. Our members thanked the Officers for their time in helping to mold these fine youth.

The following is the list of our new executive:

President Kim Earles

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Alice Graham2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Blondie Charlet

Secretary-Treasurer Loree Hurst

Past President Estelle Comeau
Sgt-at-Arms Eldean Baskerville

Executive Members Maria Lewis, Zelda Doell

Happy New Year to all the Legion members and patrons of the Legion.



Saturday January, 18 3 - 5 pm Following the Meat Draw

DANCE PARTY – VINYL COUNTRY (formally: Ghost Riders) A good old fashion hall dance

If you have an article or photo you think should be added please submit it by the 20th of the month. **Email it to: kingswaylegion.president@telus.net** 

#### It's Your Legion Get Involved

#### **Bingo Volunteers Required**

Location: Kensington Bingo Hall 12538 132 Ave NW, Edmonton

Time: 10:30 — 4:00 pm

#### **Dates:**

Tue 7 Jan

Mon 27 Jan

Wed 13 Feb

Wed 26 Feb

Wed 4 Mar

Thu 19 Mar

Contact the office if you are interested in helping.



# How Come Everyone Else Yells, And All I Ever Yell is,

#### Chase the Ace

"Chase the Ace of Spades" is back every Thursday night tickets go on sale at 5:00pm until 8:00pm.

The draw will be held at 8:30pm.

Tickets are \$2 each and you must be present when the ticket is drawn to win.

**Good Luck!** 

#### Monster 50 /50

The draw took place during the New Years Eve Dance.

**Congratulations to Carol O'Rourke** 

Who won \$6,040.00



#### VETERAN'S SUPPORT

#### Are you a veteran or family member of a veteran?

We are recruiting veterans and their family members to test the impact of self-applied hand Shiatsu on sleep. This technique is drug free and has no cost. Participants can withdraw from the study before completion and will be compensated for parking. This study is funded by Veterans Affairs Canada and supported by the Royal Canadian Legion Alberta- NWT Command, has been approved the Health Research Ethics Board of the University of Alberta. To learn more email Dr. Cary Brown, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta at cary.brown@ualberta.ca or

phone 780-492-9545.



#### **Get healthy with MissionVAV**

Get fit this fall with The Royal Canadian Legion and MissionVAV using a FREE web-based program designed to make Veterans and their supporters stronger, healthier and happier. Register or learn more about starting a team at your Legion Branch at MissionVAV.com.

#### **Veterans Service Centre**

The Veterans Service Centre in Edmonton is a place for veterans to get help accessing:

- financial programs and supports
- employment and training services
- housing location and supports
- crisis supports
- community services and opportunities

Supports and services are available to any veteran who is:

- homeless
- at-risk of homelessness
- struggling in the civilian community

To visit the Veterans Service Centre: Hours: 9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm (Monday to Friday)

For more information visit:

https://www.alberta.ca/veterans-service-centre.aspx

#### The Veterans Emergency Fund

The fund covers essential needs, such as:

- Food, Clothing, Rent, Mortgage
- Medical care/expenses
- Expenses required to maintain safety and shelter.

As this is only temporary financial relief, we will also work with you to identify your long-term needs. Together, we will look for solutions to improve your financial stability.

If you have an urgent financial need, and are:

- a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF);
- the spouse/common-law partner of the former member;
- a survivor of a deceased CAF member or Veteran;

For more information go to: <a href="https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/financial-support/emergency-funds/veterans-emergency-fund">https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/financial-support/emergency-funds/veterans-emergency-fund</a>

#### Sports Schedule (Sep—May)

#### **BRANCH LEAGUES:**

Darts Mon	6:00 —	10:00 pm
Cribbage Mon	6:00 —	10:00 pm
Euchre Wed	7:00 —	10:00 pm
Darts (Over 60) Thur	1:00 —	3:30 pm
8 Ball Pool Thu	7:00 —	10:00 pm
Shuffleboard Thu	7:00 —	10:00 pm
Shuffleboard Fri	6:00 —	10:00 pm



Pool (Drop in Tourney) Tue	11:30 am
Darts (Drop in League) Tue	6:00 pm
Pool (Drop in Tourney) Thu	11:30 am
Darts (City League) Thu	6:00 pm
Pool (Drop in Tourney) Sat	11:30 am

All members, whether novice or expert, are invited to participate.

All times are approximate and may be changed to fit requirements.

### We have a Winner

District Singles Darts was hosted at Kingsway Legion on Nov 30, 2019. Advancing to Command Level:

First Place - Gordy Gray

Second Place - Serge Kowalchuk







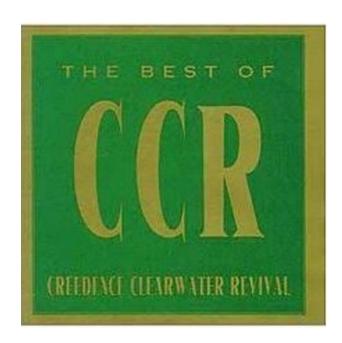




Congratulations to all the players!

Together We Can Make Our Legion Great

#### What's Happening at the Legion?



#### Creedence Clearwater Revival Tribute

#### Sunday February 9, 2020

Show only	\$30.00
Dinner	\$ 18.00
Dinner & Show	\$ 48.00
Doors Open	5:00pm
Show	7:00pm

Tickets on Sale Soon

Reserved seating only. No refunds

by artists "Creedence Clearwater Reprisal"

#### Sunday March 8, 2020

 Show only
 \$30.00

 Dinner
 \$18.00

 Dinner & Show
 \$48.00

 Doors Open
 5:00pm

 Show
 7:00pm

Tickets on Sale Soon

Reserved seating only. No refunds



The Eagles Tribute by "The Long Run".

#### THE LEGION DISPATCH

#### Your Legion Calendar: Dec 2019—Jan 2020

This calendar lists upcoming commemorative days of relevance to The Royal Canadian Legion that raise awareness of an issue, commemorate a group or event, or celebrate an important topic.

Date	Event			
Jan 1	New Years Day			
Jan 29	Bell Let's Talk for mental health awareness			
Feb 14	Valentine's Day			
Feb 17	Family Day			

Date	Event			
Jan 27	Holocaust Remembrance Day			
Feb	Black History Month			
Feb 15	National Flag of Canada Day			
Feb 28	Gulf War ends (1991)			



DAVE GRANLUND@ www.davegranlund.com

Ah, the modern days. I just saw a grandpa help a youngster who was staring into his phone to cross the street.



Our 2020 Casino dates are:

#### Tue Feb 4 & Wed Feb 5 at Yellowhead Casino.

Thanks to all of you who have volunteered. All the positions have been filled. If you would like to add you name to the list as a backup please contact the front office.

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#### JANUARY 2020

<u>Branch hours</u>: SUNDAY CLOSED MONDAY@ 5 pm, Tuesday - Friday 11 - Close Saturday 10:30 am - Midnight

Closing time varies depending on number of people in the Canteen

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Upcoming Events: January 11, 2020 Music Poker 3-5 pm January 12, 2020 Fiddlefest – Old Country Style Dance 1:30 – 5:30 pm January 18, 2020 Dance Party – Vinyl Country 3-5 pm January 25, 2020 Dance Party – CC & High Ryder 3-5 pm		1 CLOSED	2 Over 60 Darts 1pm Drop In Pool 11:30 Shuffleboard 7 pm Pool League 7 pm Jam Session 6:30 pm Chase the Ace	3 Shuffleboard 6:30pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Heartland	4 Drop In Pool Noon Meat Draw 1:30 pm Branch 50/50 Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Heartland	
5 CLOSED	6 Opens at 5 pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	7 Drop In Pool Noon Canasta 1 pm Darts 1pm	8 Meat Draw 6 pm Branch 50/50 Euchre 7 pm	9 Over 60 Darts 1pm Drop In Pool 11:30 Shuffleboard 7 pm Pool League 7 pm Jam Session 6:30 pm Chase the Ace	10 Shuffleboard 6:30pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Dean Henry	11 Drop In Pool Noon Meat Draw 1:30 pm Branch 50/50 Music Poker 3 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Dean Henry
12 Fiddlefest 1:30 pm	Opens at 5 pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	14 Drop In Pool Noon Canasta 1 pm Exec LA 1:30 pm	15 Over 60's Luncheon Meat Draw 6 pm Branch 50/50 Euchre 7 pm	16 Over 60 Darts 1pm Drop In Pool 11:30 Shuffleboard 7 pm Pool League 7 pm Jam Session 6:30 pm Chase the Ace	17 Shuffleboard 6:30pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Vinyl Country	18 Drop In Pool Noon Meat Draw 1:30 pm Branch 50/50 Dance Party – Vinyl Country 3 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Vinyl Country
19 CLOSED	20 Opens at 5 pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	21 Drop In Pool Noon Canasta 1 pm LA Gen Mtg 1:30pm Exec Mtg 7pm	22 Meat Draw 6 pm Branch 50/50 Euchre 7 pm	23 Over 60 Darts 1pm Drop In Pool 11:30 Shuffleboard 7 pm Pool League 7 pm Jam Session 6:30 pm Chase the Ace	24 Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm CC & High Ryder	25 Drop In Pool Noon Meat Draw 1:30 pm Branch 50/50 Dance Party –CC & High Ryder3 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm CC & High Ryder
26 CLOSED	27 Opens at 5 pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	28 Drop In Pool Noon Canasta 1 pm RCL General Mtg 7 pm	29 Meat Draw 6 pm Branch 50/50 Euchre 7 pm	30 Over 60 Darts 1pm Drop In Pool 11:30 Jam Session 6:30 pm Chase the Ace	31 Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Sparkling Tones	1 Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Sparkling Tones

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