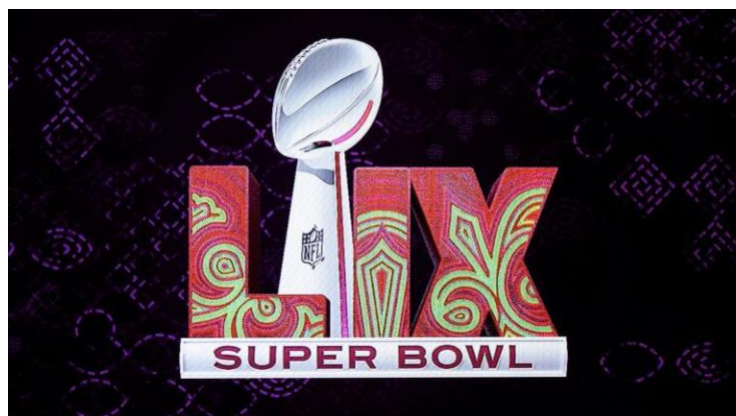




Ambassador and Walkerville Branch 644



February 2025



The holidays are behind us and with February comes some cold weather. We've had limited snow thus far which is good news. Think about spring just around the corner. Whether you're a sports fan or not February brings on the NFL Super Bowl. The Branch will be holding a Super Bowl party on the 9th. Come out and enjoy some camaraderie with a chance to win some great prizes. Also, with February comes Family Day and Valentine's Day. Enjoy.

Band Schedule for February

February 1, Next Level
February 8, Looking Back
February 15, Electric Blue
February 22, Steve Cox Band

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Stacey Masse, Debbie Caza, Tim
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Gaskin, and Wayne Gosse.

Newsletter Editor: Wayne Gosse

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Branch Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, –
noon till 11pm,
Thursday, Friday – noon till 12
am, and Saturday noon till 1am.
Sunday – noon till 6 pm.

Last Post

**Bonita Drago
Cleveland Magee
Archie McIntyre
Donald Belland**



WVMSC

**From June 1, 2024 we have
lost 34 Veterans, 21
Comrades, and did 14
Services.**

**WE WILL
REMEMBER THEM**



Ambassador and Walkerville



Branch 644 February 2025

Chairs for Branch 644: If anyone is interested in any of the open positions please contact Gary Seguin

The President: Gary Seguin

Chaplain: Padre Stan Fraser

STANDING COMMITTEES

Membership: Marion Bastien

Poppy: Ken Winik

Veteran`s Service Officer: Wayne Gosse

Legion Seniors: Ruby Small

Public Relations Officer: Wayne Gosse

Sports Officer: Dave Howell

Track and Field: Cheryl Moore

Training, Organization and Development

Youth Education: Stacey Masse

Bursary: Debbie Caza

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

House: Tim Kenney

Canteen and Bar: Pam Winik

Ways and Means/ Entertainment: Gary Seguin

Bingo: Pam Winik

Donations Pam Winik

Honors and Awards: Pam Winik

WVMS: Scott Davidson

Legion Supplies: Lynne Pinciuc

Zone Pam Winik

Resolutions, By-Laws, and Regulations: Lynne Pinciuc

Newsletter: Wayne Gosse

Liaison to Ladies Auxiliary: Marion Bastien

Liaison to RCNA: Ron Sitarz

Liaison to Cadets Ken Winik

SGT at Arms: Nick Marucio

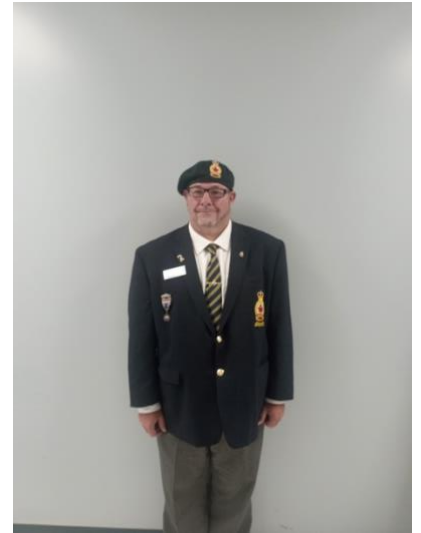
Liaison to Veterans Council: Scott Davidson

Kitchen Convenor: Gary Seguin

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: GARY SEGUIN

Hello Comrades,

We made it through the first month of the new year. I hope everyone is well. This coming month we will be having some exciting things happening at the Branch. We as a Branch will be very busy in the next couple of months preparing for the district A convention being held at our Branch April 11-13. Very excited to see how we work through everything. I am very pleased with the comradship within the Branch. Seeing big things with our Branch. Thank you comrades.



BAR REPORT: PAM WINIK

Some beer had to be sent back. Anything that is not moving will be put on sale.

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER REPORT: WAYNE GOSSE

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<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61550759716612>.

Leave a positive review on Google here:

<https://g.page/r/CQmGGLuLoRp9EB0/review>

For the month of January, 2025 we have had 78 calls, 118 directions, and 159 website clicks for a total of 355 business profile interactions on our Google business site. With a 4.4 rating.

Check out our website here: <https://www.branch644.com/>

VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER REPORT: WAYNE GOSSE

We assisted one Veteran in need last month and currently looking into another.

If anyone knows of a Veteran in need please let us know. All information and questions brought to the Branch Veteran's Services Officer(s) are held in the strictest confidence.



Other Ways to Get Help

[Veterans Affairs Canada](#) 1-866-522-2122

[Operational Stress Injury Social Support](#) 1-800-883-6094

[Canadian Forces Members Assistance Program](#) 1-800-268-7708 (For Serving Members)

[Tema Conter Memorial Trust](#) 1-888-288-8036 (For First Responders)

[Wounded Warriors Canada](#) 1-888-706-4808

[Soldier On](#) 1-800-883-6094

Acting Provincial Service Officer, Brittany Campbell, will be visiting Branch 594 during the week of March 20th – 21st. If anyone at our Branch would like a visit from her please let me know. Registration form attached to this Newsletter.

Ontario Command has sponsored a series of Mood Disorder Society of Canada's Peer and Trauma Support Services (PATSS) peer support workshops that are now available for Ontario Veterans and Family Members to register, at no cost.

To enroll in one of the workshops or take advantage of the additional free offerings, please complete the registration form: <https://mdsc.ca/supporting-veterans-and-family-members/>.

NEWSLETTER REPORT: WAYNE GOSSE

Deadline for Newsletter submissions is the 27th of each month.

You can access our Newsletter on the homepage of our website here, as well:

<https://www.branch644.com/>

Interested in placing an ad in our monthly Newsletter? We currently have over 400 members. I email the Newsletter to over 300 members. Hard copies of the Newsletter are distributed throughout the Branch and community to members and non-members alike as we are open to the public. Ads will start in the next month's newsletter following payment via cash or cheque. Ads will run for 12 consecutive months. Your ad will also be posted on our display board at the entrance to the Legion on a 7" X 7" placard. Business Card Size Ad = \$50.00. Full-Page Ad = \$100.00.

TREASURER REPORT: BETTY VIGNEUX

The balance in the General Fund as of December 31, 2024 is \$31,450.01.

January will look dismal as far as the balances are concerned.

The \$1130 a month cheques from Telus will be put in the Building Account.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: MARION BASTIEN

We have 4 new members and have lost 3 of our comrades.

LIAISON TO LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT: MARION BASTIEN

The Ladies are putting together a Valentines' Day Gift Card raffle for the new year. There is an LA Zone Pasta dinner on February 1 from 5 to 7, here, at Branch 644. Tickets are \$15 each and are available from the bar, or from one of the Ladies Auxiliary members.



TRACK AND FIELD REPORT: CHERYL MOORE

The National Youth Meet is in Calgary August 8-10, 2025.

HOUSE REPORT: TIM KENNEY

I'm interested in purchasing new round tables for the Ambassador Room. I repaired a couple of the big round wooden tables for a total of 9. These tables are old and some are not repairable.

LEGION SUPPLIES REPORT: LYNNE PINCIUC:

Some new magnetic Legion Poppies and other supplies have been ordered.

SPORTS REPORT: DAVE HOWELL

The new dart boards are in. One of the old ones has been sold. Congratulations to Com Jenn Dupras for winning the most recent shoot of WODA.

WAYS & MEANS/ENTERTAINMENT REPORT: GARY SEGUIN

The Emerald Isle dancers will be here on March 17 at a cost of \$175. There will be corned-beef sandwiches and Irish stew available for purchase that day.

February 22 will see The Steve Cox Band playing at the Branch.

YOUTH & EDUCATION REPORT: STACEY MASSE

The Youth Public Speaking competition will be held at Branch 644 on March 1 from 8 am to 4 pm. Lots of help will be needed to make this run smoothly.

BURSARY REORT: DEBBIE CAZA

The Provincial Bursary application is online. The last day to apply is March 28, 2025. One stipulation for applying is the applicant must also apply for OSAP, which they can turn down. These bursaries are for any Legion member and children.

BINGO REPORT: PAM WINIK

Volunteers are desperately needed to do Bingo cleanup at Paradise Bingo on Dougall Ave.. Currently, there are only about 18 people who can or will do Bingo. Keep in mind we need 2 at a time. It is currently the same members every month who participate. This generates a lot of income for the Branch. Please see me to volunteer for a 2-hour session. Your service is appreciated.

1. 2 volunteers are required
2. Dress code and attendance are mandatory (you get to wear a Branch golf shirt)
3. Please send new volunteers along with an experienced volunteer to shadow, for their first assignment
4. 5 business days-notice is required to give up an assignment, failure to do so will result in a compliance violation.

POPPY REPORT: KEN WINIK

A Poppy Financial Committee is to be formed comprised of Comrades Nelson Dufour, Ed Arnold, Ron Sitarz, Joe Tanguay and Sheila Hamilton.

DONATIONS REPORT: PAM WINIK

A donation of \$250 was made to the Canadian Cancer Society in memory of Pat Tanguay, wife of Com Joe Tanguay.

A donation of \$500 was made to Development and Peace in memory of Com Bonnie Drago.

LIAISON TO RCNA REPORT: RON SITARZ

The 5 th Annual Army and Navy hockey game will be held at Essex Arena on February 16. Entry to watch is a non-perishable food item.

ZONE REPORT: PAM WINIK/NELSON DUFOUR


The next meeting is February 10, 2025 at Branch 261.



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FEBRUARY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 Open - Call Branch	27 Open Cribbage 12:30pm	28	29	30 Senior's Dinner & Dance 2-6pm	31 Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	1 Meat Draw 2:00
	Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	Mixed Euchre 7-9	Darts 7 pm	Mixed Darts 7:30pm	Men's & Ladies Darts 7pm	Lookin' Back 7pm-11am
		Pool 7 pm	Community Living Darts 6 pm	Pool 7 pm	Karaoke 9:30 pm	Afternoon Darts 1pm
		Burger Tuesday	Karaoke 8 pm			
		Member's Lounge open 12-9pm	Shuffle board 1:30pm			
2 Open - Call Branch	3 Open Cribbage 12:30pm	4 Burger Tuesday	5 Shuffle board 1:30pm	6 Senior's Dinner & Dance 2-6pm	7 Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	8 Meat Draw 2:00pm
	Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	Mixed Euchre 7-9	Darts 7 pm	Mixed Darts 7:30pm	Men's & Ladies Darts 7pm	Electric Blue 7pm-11am
	Mixed Euchre 7:00 pm	Pool 7 pm	Community Living Darts 6pm	Pool 7 pm	Karaoke 9:30 pm	Afternoon Darts 1pm
	Senior's Pool	Executive Meeting 7pm	Karaoke 8 pm			
9 Open - Call Branch	10 Open Cribbage 12:30pm	11 Burger Tuesday	12 Shuffle board 1:30pm	13 Senior's Dinner & Dance 2-6pm	14 Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	15 Meat Draw 2:00pm
Super Bowl Party 6 pm	Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	Mixed Euchre 7-9	Darts 7 pm	Mixed Darts 7:30pm	Men's & Ladies Darts 7pm	Josh Johnson 7pm-11am
	Mixed Euchre 7:00 pm	Pool 7 pm	Community Living Darts 6pm	Pool 7pm	Valentine's Day	Afternoon Darts 1pm
			Karaoke 8 pm		Karaoke 9:30 pm	
16 Open - Call Branch	17 Open Cribbage 12:30pm	18 Burger Tuesday	19 Shuffle board 1:30pm	20 Senior's Dinner & Dance 2-6pm	21 Luck of the Draw Darts 7:30pm	22 Meat Draw 2:00pm
	Family Day 12-4pm	Mixed Euchre 7-9	Darts 7 pm	Mixed Darts 7:30pm	Men's & Ladies Darts 7pm	Delvitos 7pm-11am
		Pool 7 pm	Community Living Darts 6pm	Pool 7pm	Karaoke 9:30 pm	Afternoon Darts 1pm
			Karaoke 8 pm			Youth Darts 9:30am
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	Mixed Euchre 7:00 pm	Pool 7 pm	Community Living Darts 6pm	Pool 7pm	Karaoke 9:30 pm	Afternoon Darts 1pm
		General Meeting 7pm				Youth Darts 9:30am

CSG Darts & Supplies



Call: Chris Gervais

226 757 0061

csgdartsupplies@gmail.com

Hello, Comrades my name is Chris Gervais. I am an Associate member at our Legion, Branch 644. I volunteer for the Legion when I can & play darts twice a week. I also started a new venture called C.S.G. Darts & Supplies. I mainly sell out of the Legion every Wednesday & Thursday. I try and visit most Tournaments in the area. A percentage of the sales will go towards the Branch 644 Legion sports fund.

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Chris Gervais

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Branch 644 Shuffleboard



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Royal Canadian Legion Branch 644

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Thursday's

Senior's Dinner & Dance

Music and Dancing start at 2pm

Music by 60's Live

Kitchen Open

Branch 644



Every Saturday @ 2:00 PM

Come Out Saturday Afternoon for a Chance to Win Some Great Fresh Meat Prizes!



Bands Coming in January

February 1

Next Level



7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

February 8

Looking Back



7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

February 15
Electric Blue

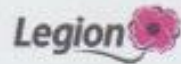


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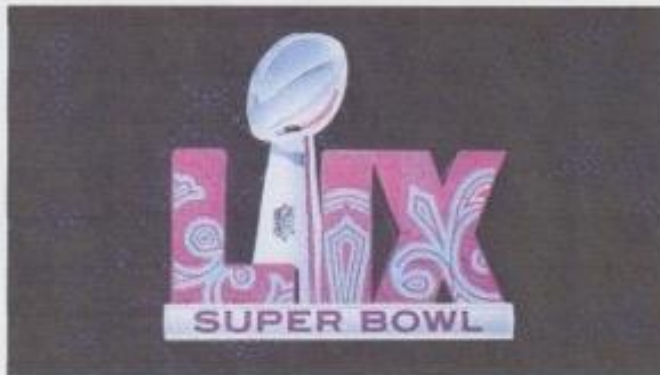
February 22
Steve Cox Band



7:00 pm to 11:00 pm



**Royal Canadian Legion Branch 644
Super Bowl Party!**



Sunday 9 February 2025

Kickoff @ 6:30 PM

Great Prizes

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*** NOTICE OF ITINERARY VISIT ***

The undersigned will be visiting Br. 594 Windsor
During the week of:
March 20th - 21st

If your Branch requires a visit kindly advise not later than
March 7th 2025

The actual Itinerary notice of time and place will be mailed out immediately following receipt of your request for a visit.

Acting Provincial Service Officer
Brittany Campbell

INTERVIEW REQUEST FORM

Detach and return to the London Service Bureau ONLY if your Branch requires a visit.

Branch 644 Ambassador requires a visit.
Branch No. and Name

The following interviews have been requested by:

<u>Regimental No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
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Branch Service Officer

Branch Secretary

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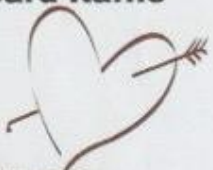
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Zone A1 Ladies Auxiliary Is Hosting A Pasta Fundraiser!!



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