

AGENDA  
DISTRICT 2 MEETING  
14 September, 2019  
Branch #32, Bay Roberts

1. Opening Ritual / Welcome – Host Branch & District Commander
2. Minutes of Last Meeting – June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Branch 15 – Harbour Grace
3. Business Arising
4. Branch reports:
  - a- Branch 09 - Spaniards Bay
  - b- Branch 15 - Harbour Grace
  - c- Branch 22 - Upper Island Cove
  - d- Branch 23 - Carbonear
  - e- Branch 32 - Bay Roberts
  - f- Branch 39 - Dildo
  - g- Branch 65 - Brigus
5. Election of New District Commander
6. Other Business:
  - a- Updates/Up-Coming Events:
    - Provincial Command Convention – Summer 2019
    - Opening of the Poppy Campaign – October 24<sup>th</sup>
    - “Fly the Flag of Remembrance” Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>
    - TCP Telethon – Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 6pm
    - District/Provincial Training – Branch Service Officers
    - Future District Meetings – January & June??
    - February – Darts & Cribbage??
    - Sunday , May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Battle of the Atlantic Parade
    - Others????
7. Closing Ritual

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Commander		Philip Wood	Commander	Present
Secretary		Nicole Badcock	Secretary	Present
Branch 09	Spaniards Bay	Gordon Parsons	President	Present
Branch 09	Spaniards Bay	Don Hutchings	Sgt at Arms	Present
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Paulette Morrissey	President	Present
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Tyson Purcell	Member	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove	Bernice Coombs	President	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove	Frances Sharpe	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove	Dorothy Adams	President	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Hal Evelyn	President	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Leslie Forward	Secretary	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Jim Harris	Ex Council	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Gary Laing	Past President	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Ross Petten	President	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Gary Badcock	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Whitfield Andrews	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Ernie Mugford	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Frank Hawe	Sgt at Arms	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Patti Babcock	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Thomas Coombs	Sports	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Eric Loveless	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Harold Brown	Secretary	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Anne Harris	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Gordon Mercer	Flag Party	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Tom Harris	Treasurer	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Augustus French	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Cy Payne	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Rosalind Morgan	Member	Present
Branch 39	Dildo	Ira Halfyard	President	Present
Branch 39	Dildo	Gordon Reid	Treasurer	Present
Branch 39	Dildo	Don Reid	Secretary	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Gerald Mercer	President	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Mike Hedderson	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present
Charwood Manor Carbonear				Absent

#### 1. Welcome:

at 09:30 hrs. Commander Comrade Philip Wood thanked all present for attending the meeting. He pointed out that items 4 and 5 of the agenda will be reversed but added that the new District Commander will be installed at the end of the meeting. Commander Comrade Philip Wood opened the meeting with

the singing of "O Canada" and the Legion Ritual, remembering Comrade Charles Piercey of Branch 23 who passed away recently.

- ⇒ Comrade Ross Petten, President of Branch 32, welcomed all present to Branch 32 for the meeting and invited all to stay afterward for a nice lunch of soup and sandwiches. He offered his personal congratulations to Comrade Philip Wood for being elected 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President of Provincial Command. He sadly offered his Condolences to Branch 23 Carbonear at the passing of a good friend Charles Piercey and added that Charlie was a devoted Legion member and he served with him for around 20 years in Charwood Legion Manor.
- ⇒ Commander Comrade Philip Wood was very pleased to see all the Branches represented today. He thanked all the Branches for their commitments to all the events through the years. He thanked and disclosed his appreciation of all their support through the years. He happily commented that 5 out of 7 Branches of our District were represented at the Convention. He then mentioned Comrades Bob and Mildred Mugford's sudden move to New Brunswick but they will keep their membership at Branch 32.
- ⇒ Sad day: the passing of Comrade Charlie Piercey who was a very dedicated Veteran as well as a dedicated legionnaire; he served as Service Officer at Carbonear Branch as well as Service Officer at Command for many years. The Funeral is at 2pm in St-James Church in Carbonear; Legion members will meet in the parking lot at 1:30pm.
- ⇒ Comrade Hal Evely very sadly declared that the Branch was in limbo all this week because Charlie was a big part of the Legion and Charwood Manor. He will be missed very much.
- ⇒ Commander Comrade Philip Wood declared that "Our thoughts and prayers are will you"

## 2. Minutes of the last meeting:

paper copies of the Minutes of June 15<sup>th</sup> , 2019 meeting were distributed to all present. Commander Comrade Philip Wood asked if there were any questions and none were brought forth.

Comrade Ross Petten                      moved to have the Minutes be accepted

Comrade Eric Loveless                  Seconded the Motion

MOTION CARRIED

## 3. Election of District Commander:

- Commander Comrade Philip Wood explained that each Branch have only 2 votes each.
- Commander Comrade Philip Wood asked for nomination for the position of District 2 Commander.
- Comrade Ross Petten nominated Comrade Harold Brown.
- Commander Comrade Philip Wood asked a Second time for nomination for the position of District 2 Commander.
- None were brought forth.
- Commander Comrade Philip Wood asked a Third time for nomination for the position of District 2 Commander.
- None were brought forth.

- Commander Comrade Philip Wood proclaimed Comrade Harold Brown as the New District 2 Commander by acclamation.

#### 4. Branch Reports:

➤ Branch 09: Comrade Gordon Parsons, President, said:

- ✓ The Branch Lost the Bingo at Tilton so it set us back \$22k for the year.
- ✓ Bingo still doing well
- ✓ Open mic doing well
- ✓ Weddings are on the go.
- ✓ We are getting geared up for the Poppy Campaign.
- ✓ We are doing okay.
- ✓ We are hoping for a Grant.
- ✓ We offer our Condolences to Charlie's family.

⇒ Commander Comrade Philip Wood apologized for his oversight and officially asked Comrade Harold Brown if he accepts the position of District Commander. Comrade Harold Brown respectfully accepted the position.

➤ Branch 15: Comrade Paulette Morrissey, President, offered her and the Branch's Condolences to Charles's Family than continued with:

- ✓ The Branch is busy
- ✓ June Tea Party was a success
- ✓ In fall another tea party
- ✓ Our July 1<sup>st</sup> parade was wonderful and we had our tea light candle service at the monument in the evening
- ✓ At the end of July at the Regatta for Harbour Grace, we patrolled the gates and looked after the parking; all was very successful.
- ✓ In August we had a Garden Party; 15 children attended and they had a great time
- ✓ The Soccer tournament with the CBN Soccer Club for our Garden Party they could only provide 2 teams. For next year, we are working at holding a youth under 12 tournament but working with Eastern School District. Our Branch will provide the trophies and medals for the boys and girls
- ✓ October 19<sup>th</sup> is our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Fall Fair; everyone is invited to attend
- ✓ Since we are not ready to start our Bingo on Sunday, we will start it on November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- ✓ Jan/Feb we will hold a Murder/Mystery; we will send the information when available

⇒ Comrade Philip Wood informed all present that the Compass newspaper now prints 30% news and 70% ads. Since Andrew Robinson is the only reporter, he is always looking for information to print.

⇒ Commander Comrade Philip Wood reminded all present that a paper copy of each Branch report is always appreciated by Comrade Nicole Badcock, secretary.

➤ Branch 22: Comrade Dorothy Adams, President, disclosed that:

- ✓ We are a small Branch but we are not struggling financially.

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> July parade went very well.
  - ✓ For Island Cove days we served a cold plate and it was very successful.
  - ✓ Weddings and showers coming up.
  - ✓ We are doing well.
- Branch 23: Comrade Hal Evely, President, reported that
- ✓ Not much change since the last report.
  - ✓ Tomorrow will be the first day we attempt the Jackpot Bingo.
  - ✓ We have a table at the mall to sell the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary Tulips
  - ✓ Things are picking up.
- Branch 32: Comrade Ross Petten, President, offered this report:
- ✓ We had a great few months.
  - ✓ We had a New Horizon Project for \$25,000.00 to upgrade the building; all that is left to do now is to place the pictures of our Veterans on the wall.
  - ✓ The Marina revenues are up by over \$5000.00 from last year because Comrade Wallace Babcock was there early every morning to collect the launch fee from every boat using our facility.
  - ✓ We have a strong Executive Committee.
  - ✓ Our Chase the Ace went on August 8<sup>th</sup>. It was \$4,300.00 with 23 cards left in the pack. We will be applying for another license and start another one on October 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - ✓ We had lots of weddings and many different parties.
  - ✓ We had a Grant for to hire a summer student for 8 weeks; he cut the grass, painted and helped out.
  - ✓ Our once a month steak barbecues are doing very well; we have about 40 people every month. Comrades Tom and Anne Harris look after all the food including salads, baked potatoes, buns and deserts while Comrade Harold Brown barbecues the steaks. All are invited to participate, just call Comrade Eric Mercer to reserve your steak.
  - ✓ We had 4 Breakfasts over the summer and they too are well attended.
  - ✓ The Jam sessions and Matinee are doing very well.
  - ✓ We have applied for a Moose license this year for burgers as it was so profitable last year: we made \$1600.00 profit.
  - ✓ The Jackpot Bingo starts tomorrow. Last year we made \$11,000.00 profit.
  - ✓ Thank you to Comrade Gary Badcock for updating the Website and to Comrades Wallace and Patti Babcock and Dawn Butt a bartender for updating the Social Medias; those are very important for keeping our members informed of upcoming events.
  - ✓ In closing I offer my condolences to Charlie's family
- Branch 39: Comrade Ira Halfyard, President, said:
- ✓ We will be starting our meetings next Tuesday.
  - ✓ Currently we have 37 paid members.
  - ✓ We still have some money left over from the sale of the building.
  - ✓ We offer our condolences the Charlie's family.

➤ Branch 65: Comrade Gerald Mercer, President, cited that:

- ✓ We are still afloat and doing good.
- ✓ We have functions coming up.
- ✓ We support 18 cadets.
- ✓ We have put out tenders but they have not come back yet.
- ✓ The 50+ club still uses our facility
- ✓ We have weddings and anniversaries for the fall.
- ✓ We received a \$25,000.00 Grant for building upgrades
- ✓ We are partnered by the Fire Brigade for the “Chase the Ace” which takes place on Saturday.

6. Update

- Commander Comrade Philip Wood commented that the Convention 2019 hosted by Grand Falls/Windsor went very well. Branch 12 did a great job: the parking spots are so few at the Legion that they had a bus system organized and they had tours for spouses, the meals were great.
- All the sessions went well.
- General Rick Hillier’s speech was very inspirational.
- A motion was made concerning the CLB. That organization needs to be included on the donation list of the Poppy Trust Fund like the Cadets. This motion passed unanimously so next summer it will be brought up to the Dominion Convention.
- Opening of the Poppy Campaign October 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Fly the Flag on October 25<sup>th</sup> and then the first Poppy is distributed to the Lieutenant Governor
- Telethon on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm; 8 members are needed. The Legion goes before 6pm and makes one donation (the moneys from each Branch are combined together) from District 2.
- District and Provincial Service Officers Training in late October in Grand Falls. It is strongly encouraged that Branch Service Officers attend the “In Servicing”, or your representative if the Service Officer cannot attend. Provincial Command can fund the event for Branches who cannot.
- Darts and Cribbage in February.
- Battle of the Atlantic on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Jackpot Bingo: Branch 32 made \$11,000.00 last year. It is played every Sunday at 5:00 or 5:30hrs. The first Sunday for this year is this coming Sunday.
- Comrade Paulette Morrissey requested information about the Jackpot Bingo; Commander Comrade Philip Wood told her to contact Comrade Paul Hillier at Command.

⇒ Commander Comrade Philip Wood proceeded with the Legion Ritual of Installation of District Commander; Comrade Harold Brown is officially installed as the New District 2 Commander.

⇒ Commander Comrade Harold Brown thanked everyone for the support that has been bestowed on him. He will do the best he can with the support of everyone. He respectfully asked Comrade Philip Wood to close the meeting.

8. Closing

At 10:40 Comrade Philip Wood closed the meeting with the Legion Ritual and the singing of the "Royal Anthem". His last words to the assembly were thanking everyone for attending.