# AGENDA DISTRICT 2 MEETING

## February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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- 7. Other Business
- 8. Closing Ritual
- 9. Next Meeting: TBA

# District 2 Meeting

February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Branch #65, Brigus

Commander		Robert Mugford	Commander	Present
Provincial Command		Berkley Lawrence	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President	Absent
Secretary		Nicole Badcock	Secretary (temp)	Present
Branch 09	Spaniards Bay			Absent
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Paulette Morrissey	President	Present
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Gerald Burnett	Service Officer	Present
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Jean Burnett	Poppy Chairperson	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove			Absent
Branch 23	Carbonear	Gary Laing	President	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Hal Evely	Chaplin	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Mike Butt	Past-President	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Mildred Mugford	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Gary Badcock	Member	Present
Branch 39	Dildo			Absent
Branch 65	Brigus	Gerald Mercer	President	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Craig Pameroy	Service Officer	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	David Barrett	Executive at large	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Tony Pritchard	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Gen Smith	Executive at large	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Bill Smith	Secretary	Present
Charwood Legion Manor Carbonear				Absent

#### 1. Welcome:

at 10:10hrs Commander Comrade Robert Mugford opened the meeting with the singing of "O Canada" and the Legion Ritual.

## 2. Minutes of the last meeting:

Comrade Nicole Badcock read the Minutes of the last Meeting dated October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Comrade Gary Laing informed all present of errors concerning Branch 23 Poppy Campaign Officer's motor vehicle accident. The corrections are as follow: the name is Comrade Gordy Goodwin, not Goodman and the vehicle was an ATV, not a car. (the corrections have already been made to the October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016's Minutes)

Comrade Mike Butt moved to have the Minutes of the last meeting be accepted as read Seconded the Motion

MOTION CARRIED

3. Business arising: No business was brought forward.

#### 4. Host Branch Welcome:

President Comrade Gerald Mercer, President of Branch 65 Brigus, welcomed and thanked all present, offered that the Brigus Legion's door is always opened to visitors and invited all present for a lunch after the meeting.

## 5. Branch President Reports:

- > Branch 09: Spaniards Bay was not present at this meeting.
- ➤ <u>Branch 15:</u> President Comrade Paulette Morrissey enthusiastically informed all present that Harbour Grace is striving well with 50 paid members. Chase-the-Ace is doing well, the Poppy Campaign went very well and sold 500 Forget-Me-Not bracelets; the children loved them.
- ➤ <u>Branch 22:</u> Upper Island Cove did not participate in this meeting.
- ➤ <u>Branch 23:</u> President Comrade Gary Laing offered that Carbonear has 155 paid members, the monthly card games, Jam sessions, VLTs and 2 Dart Leagues are all doing very well. The Poppy Campaign was very good also. The Election of Officers will take place on the 19<sup>th</sup> and the Honour and Awards Night on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
- ➤ <u>Branch 32:</u> President Comrade Robert Mugford disclosed that the VLTs in Bay Roberts are very slow but added that the Branch will do very well with all the summer functions coming up.
- ➤ Branch 39: Dildo did not participate in this meeting.
- ➤ <u>Branch 65:</u> President Comrade Gerald Mercer advised all present that the renovations to the Brigus building are going very well but new members are needed. The Chase the Ace has been moved to Saturday Nights and the VLTs are doing well, the 50+ Club uses the building every week as well as classes twice a week.
- **Charwood Manor:** was not present at this meeting.

#### 6. New Business:

- Per Capita Tax: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford discussed the 20% of the Poppy Campaign Moneys from each Branch to be given to Command. He disclosed that Command itself does not hold a Poppy Campaign and that some Branches just can't do it, for valid reasons. He then explained that Command collects those moneys from each Branch in the District and distribute it appropriately to ensure that not one Veteran in this Province goes without help. Comrade Gerald Mercer remarked that Branch 65 is small and with this demand from Command, the Branch will have nothing left after only a few years. Discussion ensued to which Commander Comrade Robert Mugford ended with the assurance that he would request clear information from Command but also suggested to each Branch to bring this subject for discussion at the Convention in Stephenville in August.
- Convention 2017: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford cited that each Branch should have received their packet from Command. It contains the Hotel listings and all the forms needed by the Branches for this Convention. Graciously, Comrade Gary Laing advised all present that Provincial Command 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Comrade Berkley Lawrence told him that all the hotels for the Convention are now booked.
- ➤ <u>Dress Code and Code of Conduct for Sports</u>: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford strongly notified all present that the Codes came from Dominion Command to Provincial Command to all the Branches. The Dress code for sports consist of: a shirt with collar, casual dress pant and

- shoes. No sweatpants or running shoes. The Code of Conduct concern the Language: no boisterous shouts or loud noises. The Legion is a Memorial for the Veterans and deserves respect.
- ➤ Host for the Battle of the Atlantic Ceremony: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford requested a nomination. Comrade Gary Laing remarked that Branch 23 hosted the Ceremony last year to which Commander Comrade Robert Mugford responded with thanks and declared that the Branches next in line were: Branches 9, 22 or 32.
- ➤ <u>Canada 150 Medal:</u> Commander Comrade Robert Mugford advised all present that the medal is available and can be worn as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
- Lottery Forms: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford informed all present that Command sent out all that was needed from each Branch. Command also instructed each Branch that all applications for Lottery request must be sent only to Command directly and <u>not</u> to the Lottery Commission. If Branches continue to send their applications directly to the Lottery Commission, the Commission will revoke Command's privilege which will incur higher cost for the Branches as they will need to apply for a license every time they wish to sell tickets.
- <u>History Challenge</u>: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford disclosed the date for the Challenge to be Wednesday February 22nd, 2017 at 08:30. Branch 23 Carbonear graciously host this event but require many legion volunteers in Uniform for scorekeeping, timer, etc. This Challenge is filmed by Eastlink and shown on July 1<sup>st</sup> and also during the Week of Remembrance. Medals and Certificate are offered to the winners and the one student who answers the most questions is selected to go to Beaumont Hamel. Comrade Gary Laing assured all present that the experience is invaluable, especially for Veterans. He added that Comrade Leslie Forward and her team have done great work.
- > "Forget-Me-Not" pin: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford strongly advised all present that as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 the "Forget-Me-Not" pin must be taken off the Uniform. It can only be worn on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- District Sports Tournament: Comrade Gary Laing conveyed that Branch 23 Carbonear hosted the District Dart and Cribbage Tournaments. The Dart's Tournament was won by Carbonear "A" Team and Upper Island Cove "A" Team. The Cribbage Tournament was won by Upper Island Cove and Spaniards Bay.
- > <u>Provincial Sport Tournament</u>: Comrade Gary Laing informed all present that the Provincial Tournament will take place on March 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>.

#### 8. Other Business:

- ➤ Comrade Gerald Mercer advised President Comrade Robert Mugford that he has not received any copies of the District Meetings to post on the wall of Branch 65; the situation will be fixed.
- Commander Comrade Robert Mugford disclosed his disappointment at the poor turn-out of members and Branches. He conveyed the importance of participation from each Branch to bring points for this President to forward and discuss at the P.E.C. meetings.

#### 9. Closing

at 11:00hrs President Comrade Robert Mugford closed the meeting with the Legion Ritual and the singing of the "Royal Anthem".