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In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.



We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.



Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
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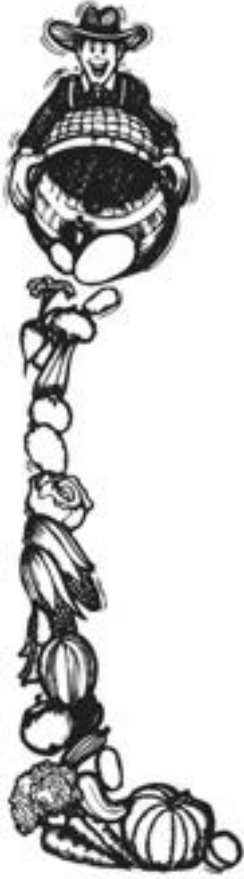
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COVER:

The cover image of this booklet is a collage combining three great monuments which proudly stand on Prince Edward Island. In **Kensington at the Memorial Gardens**, stands a wall monument which holds the names of men and women from the region who have served. Shown in the upper left corner of the cover is the image of **Charlottetown’s** beautiful triple cenotaph, honouring all Islanders who gave their lives in times of war. Posing valiantly in the upper right, a soldier stands over the **Prince County Monument, located in Summerside**. He guards the names, and the memory, of the men and women who so bravely lost their lives in battles fought...**LEST WE FORGET.**



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Message from The Lieutenant Governor



On behalf of Her Majesty the Queen I am indeed honoured to have been asked to submit a message for inclusion in this special commemorative booklet outlining the history of the Royal Canadian Legion on Prince Edward Island.

Being a member of the Legion myself, I know first hand the valuable work that is being carried out in communities all across Prince Edward Island by Legion members and the impact this group has had on countless individuals. The Legion veterans who served our country in wartime have inspired us all and their sacrifices have made our country a better place in which to live. The history of the Royal Canadian Legion on Prince Edward Island is indeed a rich one and I very much look forward to reading the information contained in this booklet. Congratulations to all who have contributed in any way to the publication and I wish you continued success in your valuable work.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. Léonce Bernard". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

J. Léonce Bernard
Lieutenant Governor
Prince Edward Island

Message from The Premier



On behalf of the Province of Prince Edward Island, I would like to extend best wishes to The Royal Canadian Legion in recognition of its 77th Anniversary and the production of this commemorative booklet.

The work of The Royal Canadian Legion members in our communities represents a valuable contribution in support of veterans and their families, and to ensure that their sacrifice for the cause of freedom is never forgotten. Your service to veterans, our youth and the elderly of this province is greatly appreciated.

All Islanders gratefully acknowledge your endeavors within the community and may you continue your efforts to improve the quality of life for Islanders.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Pat Binns". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

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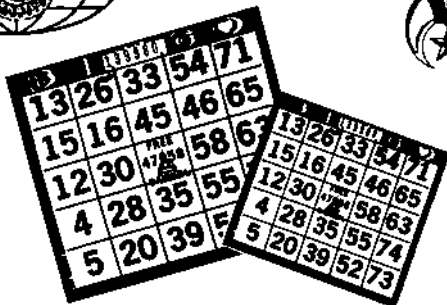
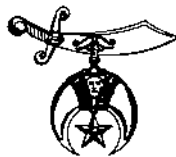
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A Message from Dominion President



On the occasion of the production of this commemorative booklet, I am most pleased to bring you greetings from Dominion Command of The Royal Canadian Legion. As a native Islander, the son of a veteran and the first Dominion President of the Legion from Prince Edward Island, I am most grateful to those who have toiled to make this project a reality.

The history of our small province is one that is envied by those of larger proportions. It was here that the very roots of Confederation took hold and resulted in the growth of a nation that is second to none in the world. Our men and women have served that nation with great distinction, and, despite our diminutive size, our people have made the sacrifices required to ensure this nation can still stand proud and free. We have hosted those from other nations who needed training to combat the forces of oppression. We have been there when called and our brave sons and daughters still answer the call today.

The history of The Royal Canadian Legion, its dedication to veterans and the perpetuation of remembrance, is clear evidence of the impact this province and its people have had on the development of Canada. Those who served started the Legion, the best known community-based service organization in the country. Their relatives and friends continue that tradition today, and through efforts like this, will continue to ensure that those who went before will not be forgotten. Through the efforts of those who serve today ***“We Will Remember Them”***.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allan Parks".

Allan Parks
Dominion President
PEI Command

Message from The President



On behalf of the Prince Edward Island Command Executive Council of The Royal Canadian Legion, I am both pleased and proud with the production of this commemorative booklet which outlines the history of The Royal Canadian Legion on Prince Edward Island.

The Royal Canadian Legion was organized by veterans to assist other veterans and their dependents and to ensure that the sacrifices made by their comrades would be remembered by all Canadians who continue to enjoy the freedom won by our veterans at extreme costs of life during World War I, World War II and the Korean War.

The Royal Canadian Legion is the largest community based organization in Canada and Legion youth, education, sports and community programs provided through the volunteer efforts of our membership have benefitted hundreds of thousands of Canadians, in both urban and rural areas of Canada, since the Legion's origin in 1926. PEI Command has been an intricate part of The Royal Canadian Legion throughout its history and I hope that this commemorative booklet will be of lasting interest to all Prince Edward Island citizens, especially our young Islanders.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fred Beirsto".

Fred Beirsto
President
PEI Command



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PEI Command of The Royal Canadian Legion obtained its charter on 16 June 1926 with the following charter members:

Comrade George P. Nicholson	Comrade W. P. Bruce, D.C.M	Captain Isador E. Croden
Comrade Arthur G. Bruce	Comrade P. Sidney Fielding	Comrade Chas. H. Hine
Lt. Col. Henry D. Johnston	Major T. Edgar MacNutt	Lieut. Philip E. Palmer
Comrade George L.M. Larter	Comrade H. Francis MacPhee	Comrade J. Alexander Williams
Comrade Philip Noonan M.M.	Comrade Francis Tierney	
Comrade Percy D. Crosby	Comrade James E. Harris	

There have been 35 branches who have received their charters since 1926. Currently there are 19 branches served by PEI Command.

PEI Command through funds raised through our Veteran's Memorial Charity Fund has been a major contributor to The Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Charlottetown, as well as all of the other hospitals on PEI. PEI Command has donated \$326,960.00 to The Queen Elizabeth Hospital and \$185,000.00 to the other smaller hospitals in the past two decades for a total donation in excess of \$500,000.00. In addition, all Legion branches on PEI have made significant donations to hospitals across the Island on a regular basis.



The picture above represents the members of the PEI Command Executive Council elected to office for the term 2001 - 2003:

Front row - left to right: Comrade John MacTaggart - Immediate Past President, Comrade Claus Brodersen - Vice President, Comrade Kenny Mallard - 1st Vice President, Comrade Fred Beairsto - President, Comrade Carman Phillips - Vice President, Comrade Jack MacEachern - Vice President.

Back row - left to right: Comrade Marjorie MacMillan - Zone Commander, Queens County Zone, Comrade Marven Wiley - Zone Commander, East Prince Zone, Comrade Kier Johnson - Treasurer, Comrade James MacAulay - DEC representative, Comrade Leo Doyle - Chairman, and Comrade Alan Curtis - Vice Chairman.



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It is with great pride that we offer congratulations to the Provincial Command of the Royal Canadian Legion on this wonderful booklet that will help to educate all of us and honour those important individuals who fought to ensure the freedom that we enjoy today.



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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Past Presidents

The following is a list of all the comrades who have served as Provincial Presidents of PEI Command:

*** - Denotes Deceased**

		1958-60	J. J. McIsaac *
		1960-61	Frank Rush *
1926-30	G. P. Nicholson *	1961-63	J. Hamilton Douglas *
1930-31	T. E. McNut *	1963-65	M. J. Mullen *
1931-32	J. Leighizer *	1965-67	F. P. Smith *
1932-33	Dr. H. B. Martin *	1967-68	C. Williams *
1933-34	Fred May *	1968-70	R. D. McKinnon
1934-35	W. S. Hughes *	1970-71	Gordon Kelly
1935-37	W. A. McLaggan *	1971-72	Edwin Brown *
1937-39	B. W. Robinson *	1972-73	Wylie Barrett
1939-41	R. C. Chandler *	1973-75	William Pierce
1941-42	R. Mollinson *	1975-77	George Olscamp
1942-44	N. W. Lowther *	1977-79	John Henderson
1944-45	B. Clark *	1979-81	G. Ernie Carver *
1945-46	J. B. Rogers *	1981-83	Morgan McGaughey
1946-47	J. S. Walker *	1983-85	Hector L. Panton *
1947-49	J. A. MacDonald *	1985-87	J. William Evans
1949	R. Phillipson *	1987-89	Allan Parks
1949-50	P. A. MacLellan *	1989-91	Claude E. Clow
1950-52	A. H. Peakes *	1991-93	Doris Douglas
1952-54	Earl G. Cannon *	1993-95	Lee N. Gill
1954-56	E. Foch MacDonald *	1995-97	Leo A. Doyle
1956-57	C. Hogan *	1997-99	James C. MacAulay
1957-58	A. C. MacEachern *	1999-2001	John N. MacTaggart

PEI Command has had numerous comrades who have served on The Dominion Command Executive Council at various levels of responsibility with the highest honour going to our current Dominion Command President, Comrade Allan Parks a member of the George R. Parkes, Branch # 5 in Summerside, PEI. Comrade Parks is not only the first comrade from Prince Edward Island to be elected to the position of Dominion Command President, but, also the first Associate Member to reach this level.

Provincial Ladies Auxiliary -History

The Provincial Ladies Auxiliary was formed pursuant to the General By-Laws of the Prince Edward Island Provincial Command of the Royal Canadian Legion and, as such, is directly accountable to Provincial Command. The Organization Meeting of the Prince Edward Island Provincial Command Ladies Auxiliary was held on October 13, 1954, at Charlottetown Branch No. 1 with a full slate of officers elected as follows:

Honourary President	Mrs. Mary Cosh *
President	Mrs. Marjorie Harkness *
1st Vice President	Mrs. Elizabeth McGowan *
2nd Vice President	Mrs. Foch MacDonald
Secretary	Mrs. Lily Corrigan *
Treasurer	Mrs. Augusta Bryant



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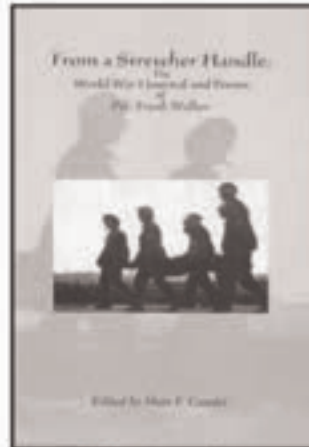
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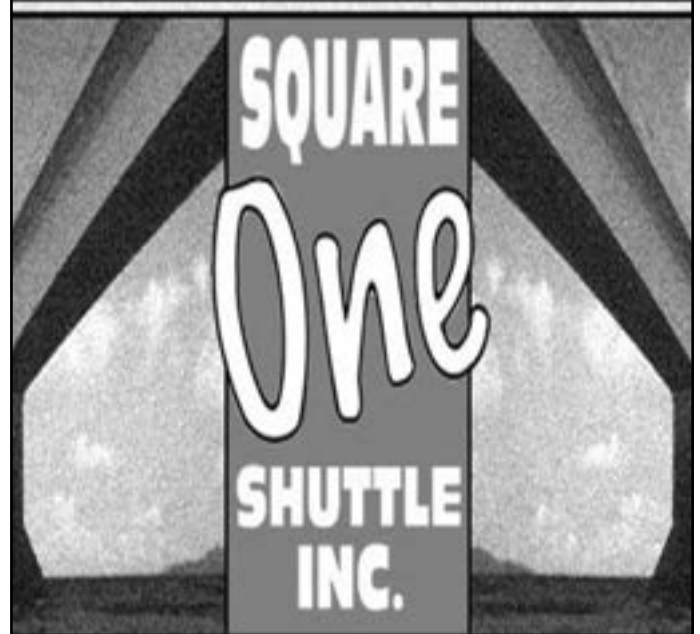
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Provincial Ladies Auxiliary -History

As years passed, a 3rd Vice President, Chairperson and Vice Chairperson were added to the Executive. Of course, the Immediate Past Provincial President automatically remained a member of the Executive. The Provincial Ladies Auxiliary hold two Executive Committee Meetings, two Executive Council Meetings and one Convention annually. Until recent years, there were a total of 19 Auxiliaries; 18 across Prince Edward Island with one Auxiliary located on the Magdalen Islands. As of recently, there are a total of 16 Auxiliaries.

The membership consists of: Life Members - 111; Regular Members - 338; Affiliate Members - 2; **totalling 451.**



Guardian Photo

The Provincial Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion met in the Mount Stewart Legion and its executive includes, ***standing from left:*** are Mary Arsenault, Jeanee Bradley, Jeanette Gaudet, Lois Brown, Diane Painchaud, Velma Afflech, Mary Doyle.

Seated from left: are Norma Ramsay, Jean Cahill, Lynda Leard, Mary Brodersen, Eva Gallant.

Missing: Faye Fraser

The main sources of income include: registration fee for Annual Convention; annual lottery; and occasional special projects. On the other hand, the main expenditures in a year include: Convention expenses; general administrative expenses; donation to PEI Provincial Command for uniforms for the Track and Field Team; and donations to Island Hospitals.

From a sport's perspective, the only Provincial-level sport which the Ladies Auxiliaries participate in is Cribbage. Throughout the fall-winter months, the individual Auxiliaries compete within their own Branches / Zones with the winners from the Zone levels advancing to the Provincial Tournament which is traditionally held in early April.

Provincial Ladies Auxiliary - Past Presidents

Mrs. Marjorie Harkness *	Summerside	1955-1956	Mrs. Norida MacLean	Charlottetown	1978-1980
Mrs. Hazel Henry *	Charlottetown	1956-1958	Mrs. Gloria Cole	Kensington	1980-1982
Mrs. Margaret McLeod *	Tignish	1958-1959	Mrs. Yvonne Richard *	Summerside	1982-1984
Mrs. Ethel Brown *	Charlottetown	1959-1960	Mrs. Anna Clark	Kingston	1984-1986
Mrs. Gwen Ramsay *	Summerside	1960-1962	Mrs. Ruth Carr	Kensington	1986-1988
Mrs. Grace Roper *	Charlottetown	1962-1964	Mrs. Dorothy MacDonald *	Charlottetown	1988-1993
Mrs. Lillian MacDonald	Montague	1964-1966	Mrs. Eva Gallant	Miscouche	1993-1995
Mrs. Edith Eldershaw	Tignish	1966-1968	Mrs. Norma Ramsay	Ellerslie	1995-1997
Mrs. Cecile Doiron	North Rustico	1968-1970	Mrs. Mary Doyle	Charlottetown	1997-1999
Mrs. Ruby McInnis *	Kensington	1970-1972	Mrs. Jean Cahill	Tignish	1999-2002
Mrs. Marjorie Wylie *	Summerside	1972-1974			
Mrs. Mary Arsenault	Summerside	1974-1976			
Mrs. Joyce Leclair	North Rustico	1976-1978			

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As more Veterans became involved in the branch, a permanent site was secured on Grafton Street between Queen and Pownal Streets in 1926. During this same year the Great War Veterans Association passed a resolution on June 16 to merge with the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League. Two years later on January 8, 1928, the Dominion Executive Council granted Charlottetown Branch No. 1 the first Charter on Prince Edward Island. Mr. Harry MacDougall was the first Branch President.

The Grafton Street branch home was expanded three times prior to 1946 to accommodate a growing membership of returning Veterans and members of the local armed forces. Throughout this period the Charlottetown Legion's Ladies Auxiliary operated a canteen in the branch home and served hundreds of thousands of meals to Legion members. The Auxiliary has always assisted the Legion in its' endeavors. This is evident every Fall during the Poppy campaign. Their responsibility is the sale and delivery of the wreaths. Since 1936, and still today, the Auxiliary donates many thousands of dollars to the branch home for operational and capital needs.

On August 16, 1963, the Charlottetown Legion opened their new branch home on Pownal Street at a cost of \$234,000. Mr. Justice C.C. Sparling, Dominion President, Lieutenant Governor W.J. MacDonald and Branch President, Freeman Miles attended the official opening. Today, our branch home stands as a proud reminder of the many stories told, the many functions held and the many dedicated Veterans who volunteered their time.

NAME	DATES	NAME	DATES
H. A. MacDougall	1926	V. J. Bowlan	1956
Dr. J. E. Croken	1927	S. W. Leard	1957,1958
T. E. MacNutt	1928	F. P. Smith	1959
Leo Bradley, DCM	1929,1944	Vernon Larter	1960
A. G. Bruce	1930	Edward Brown	1961,62,65 & 1973
A. J. Leightizer	1931	Freeman Miles	1963
L. C. Lowther	1932	J. J. Connolly	1964
W. J. MacDonald	1933	Charles E. Ryan	1966
F. B. Conrad, M. M.	1934	Alfred Peters	1967
R. C. Chandler	1935	George Reynolds	1968
J. P. Hillion	1936,1937	Stanley Bryanton	1969,1970
J. S. Walker	1938	J. A. "Tony" Gallant	1971,1983
L. W. Goodwin, M. M.	1939	Howard MacKinnon	1972
N. W. Lowther, M. M.	1940	John Richard	1974
J. F. Leightizer	1941	J. M. "Sonny" Gallant	1975
P. J. Rossiter	1942	John Thistle	1976,77,80 & 84
E. M. Bagnall	1943	Lloyd Larter	1978
P. E. Palmer	1945	John Murphy	1979
J. A. McGuigan	1946	Robert Larter	1981,82,94,95 & 96
A. W. Rogers	1947	Charlie MacInnis	1985,86 & 89
J. J. Connolly	1948	Charlie Gallant	1987
H. R. Vessey	1949,1950	Joseph Toombs	1988
Ray Hughes	1951	James Bradley	1992,1993
C. M. Sinclair	1952	Gerald Coyle	1997
Leo Doyle	1953,1990,1991	Jack MacEachern	1998,99,2000,01 & 02
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And in the battles upon the raging sea
Those brave men that gave all they had to give
So the people could live in a land that's free

Gave up their youth and their prime for this country
left their homes and the people they loved so dear
Those that returned had to live with tragic memories
of the hardship, and the death, and of the fear

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Branch No. 1 - Charlottetown Ladies Auxiliary - History

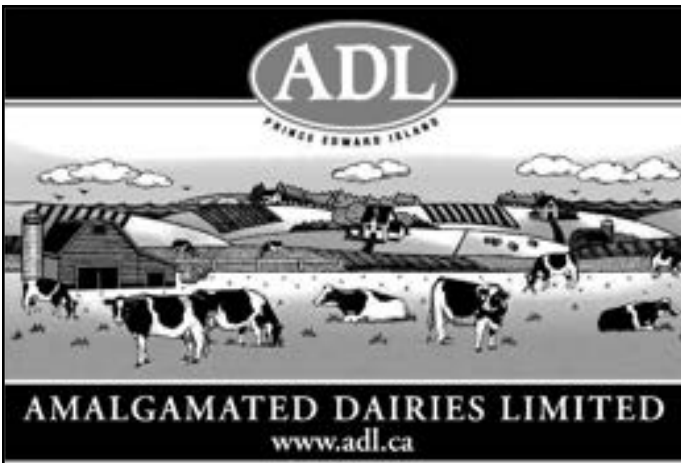
Charlottetown Auxiliary was formed in 1936. The first meeting was held November 15th, 1936 with the following slate of Officers: President : Mrs. W.S. Stewart; 1st Vice President: Mrs. I.E. Croken; 2nd Vice President: Mrs. Florence Cook; Secretary: Mrs. Cecil Stewart; Treasurer: Mrs. A.G. Peake

Before the formation as an Auxiliary it was known as G.W.V.A. (Great War Veterans Association) and any monies they had in that organization was transferred to the Auxiliary.

A Charter was granted the Auxiliary on December 20, 1936 with the following Charter members: Mrs. W.S. Stewart; Mrs. A.J. MacDonald; Mrs. Arthur Peake; Mr. J.P. Hillion; Mrs. Florence Goodwill; Mrs. J.S. Walker; Mrs. J.A. MacKenzie; Mrs. J.F. Leightizer; Mrs. A.B. Cosh; Mrs. Norman Lowther; Mrs. G.S. Sherran; Mrs. Leo Bradley; Mrs. Gordon Worth; Mrs. Robert Cotton; Mrs. I.E. Croken; Mrs. T.E. MacNutt; Mrs. Elmer Ritchie. Of these Charter members four are still living: Mrs. Bradley; Mrs. Peake; Mrs. Sherren; Mrs. Lowther

One of the greatest works the Auxiliary did was during the Second World War when a training station was located near Charlottetown and hundreds of Air Force Personnel from other Allied Countries were stationed here. The Auxiliary operated a canteen in the Legion home on Grafton Street at that time, and served over 500,000 meals to various servicemen from all branches of the armed forces. Of the women who worked in this Canteen, Ida Sudsbury, Chatherine Lee, Alice Jewell, Ellicott MacLean, Gypsy MacGillivray, Lexie Jordan and Nora Wonnacott are still with us. Lily Corrigan who also worked in the canteen, was a Life Member and received the highest Honor of the Auxiliary. She retired and returned to Charlottetown where she was elected as Treasurer and served this office for 20 years until her death.

The Auxiliary grew in membership from 17 in 1936 to 188 in 1988, that is including Life Members. In 1963 the Legion Home moved from Grafton Street to its present location on Pownal Street, in 1979 it was re-decorated. The Auxiliary helped in any way it could in this operation. We have all our minute books except two since the beginning. It is quite interesting to see how the older members made money, and how much they contributed in time and goods. When they would have a banquet to cater to for example, two ladies would be assigned to make mayonnaise and bring it in, two more were assigned to bring tea, coffee and cream, two more would look after pies and rolls, two more potatoes, etc. The turkeys were all cooked and sliced at home, and some of the members took their white sheets in for tablecloths. There is some difference now, where everything is bought and paid for by our Auxiliary.



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Branch No. 1 - Charlottetown Ladies Auxiliary - History

The Auxiliary assists the Branch in all its endeavours, especially the Poppy campaign every year. They have the full responsibility of selling the wreaths. It also assists in visiting and giving treats to veterans in hospitals and other institutions.

During these years thousands of dollars have been donated to the Branch. This was through the work of all Auxiliary Members who worked hard at banquets wedding receptions, bingo and special dues. Monies were also donated to worthy causes in the community.

Through the years many additional Auxiliaries were formed throughout the Island, and in 1954 a Provincial command was formed. Many of the first members of our Auxiliary went out and helped set up these Auxiliaries. The membership of which has grown steadily through the years and is very encouraging.

Irene King, President
Ladies Auxiliary
Branch No. 1 - Charlottetown

Branch No. 2 - O'Leary

The O'Leary Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion was active as early as 1920. At first, O'Leary had a Returned Soldiers Club, then a Great War Veteran's Association. In 1926 the British Empire Service League was formed, inviting existing veterans organizations to join. This group was to become the Canadian Legion. O'Leary and Charlottetown were the first groups to join. Although O'Leary actually had its charter first and was expecting to be designated Branch # 1, the honour fell to Charlottetown because the Provincial Command Headquarters was located in the capital city. O'Leary received the designation of Branch # 2, which it carries to this day. The Charter displayed in the Members Lounge dates January 11, 1928.

Bradford MacKay, a veteran of the 1st World War and a member of the Veterans Guard, took on the task of keeping the Branch alive during W.W.II. With so many young men from the O'Leary area enlisting, membership dwindled and there was a possibility that the Branch would lose its' Charter. Mr. MacKay solved the problem while guarding POW's, he signed up members from all over Canada.

When the time came to find a suitable building for the Legion Home, a barracks was purchased for \$500.00 from the Mount Pleasant Airport, which was a training centre during the war. The Ladies Auxiliary was formed in 1955. The Ladies helped with fundraising, banquets and other projects that would benefit the Branch and remain an active and vital part of the Branch.

In 1978 a 2-storey extension was built onto the original building, but in 1990 a fire destroyed much of the Legion Home. Today, much of the original building has been renovated and a 50-ft extension was added after the fire.

One of the projects proudly sponsored by the O'Leary Legion was the construction in 1987 of a 16-unit seniors' housing facility known as the Jubilee Home. This project was planned and headed by the O'Leary Legion Development Corporation.



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Branch No. 2 - O'Leary - Past Presidents

Past Presidents

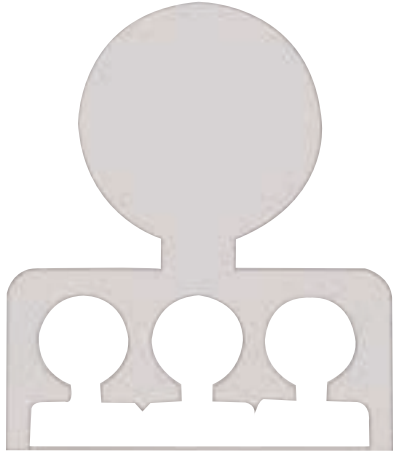
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E.G. Haillett	1927
Herb Huestis	1928
Gordon Silliker	1929
Ivy MacFayden	1931
Charles Dennis	1932
Dan MacDonald	1933
Frank Oliver	1934
Chesley Woodside	1935,47
Brad MacKay	1936,39-45,56
Walter Lidstone	1937
William Gorrill	1938
John Matthews	1946
Edwin Turner	1948
Bayfield Ellis	1949
Lloyd Matthews	1950,51,76,77
Bruce MacNaught	1952
Wilfred Dennis	1953,55
Sterling Barbour	1954
Alvin Costain	1957
Sanford Phillips	1958,68,69,70,79,82
Ira Ellis	1959
Wendell Turner	1960

Harry MacWilliam	1961,64,65,66
Larry Price	1962
Joseph M. Gallant	1963,67
Arnold MacDonald	1971,72,73
Neil MacKay	1974
Russell Boylan	1975,80,81
Vernon Reilly	1978
Kenneth Murray	1983
Donald Lewis	1984
Keith Lidstone	1985,86
Roderick Matheson	1987,88
Roy Smith	1989,90
Cornelius Pineau	1991,94
Earnest Harvie	1992
Leith Arbing	1993
Ian Keith	1995,96
Elmer Arsenault	1997
Bruce Gallant	1998,99
Harvey Bulger	2000,01
Hatfield MacAusland	2002
Kitty Horne	2003

Ladies Auxiliary Past Presidents

Mae Costain	1961-69
Blanche Ellis	1970-71
Marion Hart	1972-74
Aletha Cornish	1975
Etta Milligan	1976
Yvonne Arsenault	1977-78
Eunice Brisbois	1979-80
Marion Hart	1981-87
Tish Lidstone	1988-90
Phyllis Pineau	1991
Ferne Harvie	1992
Marion Hart	1993-1997
Merna Boulter	1998-99
Tish Lidstone	2001-02
Phyllis Pineau	2003

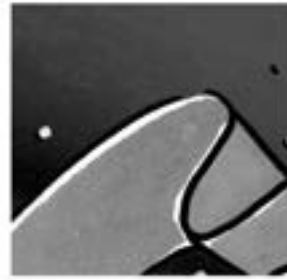




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Branch No. 3 - Souris

The original charter was given on April 8, 1930 to the Souris Branch of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League and was to be known as Souris (P.E.I. No. 3) Branch. The original Charter Members were Harold C. Croucher, Lambert Cheverie, Michael Richard Cheverie, Louis Fougere, Isiah J. Horne, Alphunsus James MacDonald, Emanuel MacDonald, Michael Francis McIntosh, Daniel Leonard O'Hanley, Arthur A. Paquet, M. Leander Paquet, George Perry, Norman Henry Richards, Frederick Stillman, Joseph Walsh, and Eliel Lorenzo Paquet. The charter was renewed on March 5, 1968 and the Branch was to be known as Souris (Prince Edward Island No. 3) Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion.

The current Executive consists of President David Perry, Past President Kenny Mallard, 1st Vice President John Higginbottom, 2nd Vice President William Gillam, Treasurer Clarence MacDonald, Secretary Basil MacDonald, Sgt at Arms Gordon Robertson, and Honorary President Margaret Doiron. The branch also had a very active Ladies Auxiliary up until 1998 at which time they gave up their charter.

The original Legion was situated above what was once the old Shoppers Drug Mart, then it moved to the McQuaid building for a number of years and then it moved to a building behind the old fire hall owned by Dr. Fred MacDonald until it burnt. Then the building we are now in was built

Leande Paquet Isiah J. Horne George Perry Harold Croucher



Norman Richards Lambert Cheverie Louis Fougere Lorenzo Paquet



Cenotaph

in 1954 and a piece was added to the end facing the water at a later date. Then a few years later there was a piece added to the side next to where Allan MacDonald lives now and a porch added across the front. Then a few years later the underneath part of the legion was dug out and a basement put under it, this housed a meeting room and a second bar. The cannon in front of the branch was once situated on the corner of Chapel Street and Main before being moved to its present location. It was there that the first Remembrance Day celebrations took place with the accompaniment of our own Legion band. The Branch is most recognized by a number of veterans, such as the Honorable Daniel J. MacDonald who served with the Cape Breton Highlanders during WWII and lost an arm and a leg in action during fighting at the Senio River in Italy on Dec. 21, 1944. He was a member and was past President of the Branch. He was elected in the Cardigan riding in 1962, and became Minister of Veteran Affairs in which he served this portfolio from 1972 - 1980. Also nursing sister Rena MacLean was drowned when her ship, the Landover Castle, was torpedoed and went down while taking wounded soldiers back from the war. Also we had Colonel Daniel MacCormack as a member of our branch. We also had 4 families in which 6 members of the family were involved in WWII: the Cheverie, Creamer, MacDonald, and MacIntyre along with the McIntosh's whose father was in WWI and 4 sons and a daughter were in WWII. There also is a picture memorial in the branch of hundreds of **veterans who served our country** in many ways over the years.



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Branch No. 3 - Souris - Past Presidents

1945	D. J. MacCormack	1971	G. S. Robertson
1946	E. F. MacDonald	1972	Martin L. Birt
1947	Philip Paquet	1973	M. L. Birt
1947-48	A. MacDonald	1974	T. Battersby
1949	Bruce L. Stewart	1975	L. M. Winters
1950	Ernest McCarey	1976	B. F. MacDonald
1951	Hugh J. MacPhee	1977	P. Fisher
1952-53	J. D. MacIntyre	1977	S. J. Hazeldon
1954	E. F. MacDonald	1978	J. E. Miles
1955	W. E. Pierce	1979	James Miles
1956	Martin L. Birt	1980-83	T. Battersby
1957	E. F. MacDonald	1984-85	SYL Jarvis
1958	J. Hennessey	1986	S. J. Hazeldon
1959	H. B. Poole	1987-88	Gordon Robertson
1960-61	John A. Jarvis	1989-90	James Miles
1962	D. J. MacDonald	1991	Gordon Robertson
1963	G. A. Webster	1992	S. Robertson
1964-65	B. Fitzpatrick	1993	S. Jarvis
1965	H. B. Poole	1994	S. Hazeldon
1966	N. F. McIntosh	1995	John Higginbottom
1967	T. Battersby	1996	John Higginbottom
1968	M. F. Praught	1997-98	B. F. MacDonald
1969	D. G. Osborne	1999-2000	Ken Mallard
1970	F. C. White	2000-	David Perry

Branch No. 4 - Mt. Stewart - The John Hamilton Douglas Legion

Branch #4 of the Mt. Stewart British Empire Service League was formed in 1930 / 31. The original charter members are listed on a board in the Veterans Room at our legion. Starting in 1940 the branch was kept together by a few dedicated people by having dance and film shows to help make ends meet. These were held in the Legion Home which was situated by the River, unfortunately this home was lost by fire in the early 1950's. Meetings again were held in private homes as they had been in the beginning, until the new Home was rebuilt on the same lot. The mortgage being quite large we could not afford to keep it up, so the building was put up for sale in 1955, and a smaller home (one room) was built (18' x 30') in a new location. At this time we took our place on the roster for Zone meetings and only men met for those meetings. Betty Birt and Doris Douglas made sandwiches and sweets, cups had to be borrowed from R.C. Clark, and we had to wait in the car until the meeting was over to serve the lunch. In 1958 a small addition was added on and it soon became apparent that once again it was too small. In 1962 it was decided that we not only move our home to its present location (the Cardigan Rd.), we should again increase room size in our home, and as well add a basement. This worked well until the age of majority was changed to 18. The Executive and members felt to accommodate younger members the building should once again be expanded, this was done by building on to the full length of our home at the rear, yet still leave room for vehicles to drive in one gate and exit the other.

An official opening had not been held, so it was decided to make it a dual affair. This was held in 1964, with the opening of the home and paying tribute to all of our Past Presidents. Our branch may be small in comparison to others, but we will not take a back seat in our dedication to our Veterans, their dependents and the general public. We strived to set and uphold a good image and set high standards within our Branch. In the beginning of the legion until the credentials for membership were changed, our only qualification for membership was unique - it required **SERVICE**.

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The Branch over the years supported Blood Donor Clinics, Boy Scouts, Cubs, Girl Guides, Brownies, sponsored a child in Africa, helped sponsor defensive driving, and assisted Provincial Command in visiting all homes to find out if a veteran needed assistance, as many were not legion members and did not know of the legion programs that were available to help them out. The number one project that required a lot of time was our Remembrance Day program with the distribution of poppies and wreaths to the local public. Veterans visited the schools and talked to the youth about war and as well, peace. We have also helped host centennial projects, and several sports dinners for fund raising. The Branch sponsored the Mt. Stewart Seagulls Hockey Team and baseball team, as well as providing the ball team with jackets.

Hamilton Douglas was awarded the Legion Meritorious Service Medal in 1968, and this was the highest Legion Award available at that time. In 1982 we lost one of our most dedicated members, a staunch legionnaire. A member who held every office at Branch level, Zone Commander and Zone Sports Chairman for 25 years, he went on to hold every office on Provincial Command and represented the RCL of this Province on Dominion Council, and working on several committees at Dominion level. Sports was one of his main interests, and working with youth. When the Dominion Track and Field first began, it was much smaller than today. The earlier meets were held at St. Michael's College, Toronto in July and August. PEI were allowed 2 athletes and 1 legion Rep, so for 10 days every year for eleven years, he gave up a vacation to attend this clinic. Alfred Groom from Summerside and Bob Simpson, a retired Principal of Montague High School were two of the youths that attended with him. Late in 1982, Prov. President E. Carver made the suggestion to the Branch members that in recognition of these many achievements the Branch should be named in his honor. All members were in agreement to this recognition and was passed unanimously at a general meeting and approved by both Provincial and Dominion Commands. In May of 1983 a banquet was held with many dignitaries in attendance, and our Branch became officially known as the John Hamilton Douglas Br. #4 R.C.L. Mt. Stewart.

We are now looking to the youth to carry on the things that we as veterans have worked so hard to establish; unity, help for disabled veterans and families and above all to set a good image in the eyes of the public, never forgetting those who so gallantly gave their lives so that we can enjoy the freedom we have now.

Past Presidents of the Mt. Stewart Legion are as follows: Joseph Fisher, John B. MacIntyre, Fred Clark, Collie MacDonald, Oliver S. Smith, Douglas Coffin, W.J. (Bill) Lacey, Roy Leard, R.H. Innis, C.D. Coffin Jr., George McCannell, Francis MacDonald, Angus F. Hughes, J. Hamilton Douglas, Doris Douglas, Raymond Birt, James Feehan, Tom Atkins, Ron McInnis, and to date Melvin Jay. The John Hamilton Douglas Legion presently has a membership of 55 members.



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Branch No. 4 - Mt. Stewart - Ladies Auxiliary

The Mt. Stewart Ladies Auxiliary was formed in the Spring of 1957 and members had to hold their meeting on alternate nights because of lack of space. Mrs. Ira Brown (Charlottetown) was Zone Commander, initiated the Ladies and installed the officers: President, Mrs. Anna Jay; 1st Vice President, Doris Douglas; Secretary Treasurer, Bessie Doiron.

Ladies Auxiliary Members in attendance at that time were:

Beth Jay; Betty Douglas; Lillian Clark; Della Crane; Nora Jay; Betty Birt; Freda Douglas; Annie MacEachern; Mrs. George MacKenzie; Zelda MacIntyre; Glenna Affleck; Mrytle Leard; Winnifred MacDougall; Helen Coffin.

Past Presidents of the Mt. Stewart Ladies Auxiliary are as follows:

Anna Jay; Doris Douglas; Ida Mitchell; Helen Coffin; Kay MacIntyre; Phosie Carruthers; Glenna Affleck; Anne Feehan; Paula Cobb; Velma Affleck

In recognition of the past presidents, it is indeed a great honor to acknowledge these women who carried the Charter of the Ladies Auxiliary through much hard work and dedication. Today the Ladies Auxiliary is still quite active with a membership of 15 including 8 Life members. Although our membership is small, we support activities at Branch, Zone and Provincial Levels, and work faithfully towards the betterment of the Branch.

Branch No. 5 - Summerside - George R. Pearkes V.C.

The Summerside Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion received its Branch Charter on May 31, 1931. There were fifteen Charter Members with Ulric D. Dawson being the first President.

For the first few years, Legion meetings were held at the Armories on Summer St. In 1941, the property at the corner of Church and Summers streets was purchased and became the Branch Home from 1941 - 1944.

The second Branch Home was located in what was known as the Saunders property on Central St. where the present Post Office now stands. This served as Legion Home until 1948 when the membership out-grew its capacity.

The former Summerside Curling Club on St. Stephen St. was also Branch Home for a period from 1948-1951.

From 1951 to 1960 the Legion Home was located in the upstairs area of a building on Water Street across from the CN Station.

During the later part of the 1950's, it became apparent that the membership and their activities had outgrown these quarters and a building committee was formed to look into finding a suitable location to construct a new Legion building. Due to the hard work and foresight of this committee, our new Branch Home was opened in early 1960 and became known as the George R. Pearkes V.C. Branch #5.

Over the years we have been fortunate to have some very enterprising people on our Executives who have brought our Branch through many highs and a few low periods to become what it is today; a place where everyone is welcome and made to feel at home. Our large hall in the upstairs area of the building has served many banquets and other entertainment and community events.

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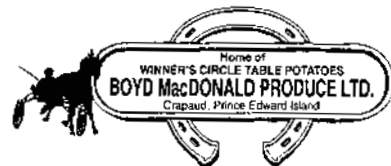
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The Ladies Auxiliary has played a major role in the financial success of this Branch as their kitchen has produced thousands of dinners over the years with over 22,000 plates served during the past year.

The members of Branch No. #5 have been great supporters of Community events and projects over the years. During the 1960's this Branch sponsored Hockey and Baseball teams of the Junior age group for several years. In 1964, both of these teams won Maritime Championships which highlights the quality coaching and local athletes of that period.

The Branch still continues to sponsor and support minor sports teams along with numerous other community efforts such as the new East Prince Health Centre and the Summerside Lobster Carnival.

Over the years this Branch has sponsored or been part of the following #85 R.C.S.C.C., this year in its 50th year, 1967-1970 Legion Band, which won acclaim as it toured across Canada, and numerous other smaller projects which were taken on to the benefit of the Community.

The Remembrance Day activities are still the highlight of our Legion year. The parade and ceremonies at the War Memorial Cenotaph are always well attended events and the co-operation of the business community and general public is very evident by the large number of wreaths placed each year in memory of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in WWI, WWII, and the Korean Conflict.

During the last few years the: "Lest We Forget" Committee has worked very hard to put on programs that involve the six local schools and include their participation in visiting the Branch to view the skits and displays. We have had excellent co-operation from several local museums and collectors of wartime memorabilia and military items.

This Branch has been fortunate to have had excellent leadership qualities in those who have served as President and in Executive positions through the years. The position of Secretary-Manager has been very important in the day to day operation of the Branch and we have had some very dedicated people in this position as well.

Branch President	Years	Branch President	Years
Ulric Dawson	1931-32	Earl Cannon	1950-51
Brewer Robinson	1933	Elric Campbell	1952
Reginald E. Ellis	1934	Charles Hogan	1953
V. T. Travers	1935	Francis J. McNeill	1954
E. B. Rogers	1936	J. Lorne Monkley	1955-56
Robert L. Mollison	1937	Dr. Hubert McNeill	1957
N. A. Clark	1938	Ben Champion	1958
N. R. Durant	1939	Emmett Trainor	1959
Arthur H. Corney	1940	Mercier Mullin	1960
L. W. Smith	1941	Leo Blacquiere	1961
Patrick C. Martin	1942	C. Ross MacKenzie	1962
Melbourne P. Titus	1943-44	Eddie F. Arsenault	1963
Dr. J. A. MacPhee	1945	Dr. Hillard E. Clark	1964
Roland Phillipson	1946	Clarence (Windy) Steele	1965
Harry Bishop	1947	Ben J. Arsenault	1966
Wilfred Gaudet	1948	Gordon Kelly	1967
Lester Jenkins	1949	George Chappell	1968



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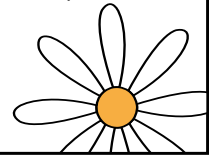
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Executive

Branch President	Years	Branch President	Years
George Olscamp	1969-70	George Arsenault	1987-88
Joseph Clark	1971	Reginald MacLellan	1988-89
Bob Desborough	1972 & 1978-79	John MacTaggart	1989-90
Wilfred Perry	1973-74 Jan. -Sept.	Henry Woodard	1991-92
Lloyd (Andy) Gallant	1974-75 Sept - Aug.	Leroy Gamble	1992-93
John E. MacDonald	1975-76	Marvin Wiley	1993-94
Donald Richard	1976-77 & 1980-81	Bennie Grady	1994-96
Austin MacLellan	1977-78 & 1982-84	Don Richard	1996-97
Robert Betton	1979-80	Alan Cameron	1997-99 & 2001-02
Henry P. Gallant	1981-82	Lloyd Gallant	1999-2001
C.R. "Bud" Craig	1984-85	Dianne Friesen	2002-03
Edmund Gallant	1984-85		
J. Henry Gallant	1985-86		
Paul Cormier	1986-87 & 1990-91		

L.A. President	Years	Secretary - Manager	Years
Isabel Travers	1934-37	Joan Perry	1981
L. Jackson	1938	Marjorie Wylie	1983-84
Jessie Moore	1939	Erma Arsenault	1985, 1994 & 1999-2000
Ethel Robinson	1940-41	Mary Arsenault	1991-93
Grace Durant	1942	Theresa Gallant	1996 & 2002
Bertha Wood	1943	Marjorie Wylie	1997-98
Ellen Mollison	1944, 1948-51	Zeta MacDonald	2003
Dorothy Ellis	1945		
Elsie Inman	1946		
H. Nicholson	1947		
Cathy MacGougen	1952-53		
Marjorie Harkness	1954, 1959-60		
Eileen Gillis	1955		
Marjorie Wylie	1956, 1969-71		
G. Ramsay	1957		
Bernadette Gallant	1958		
A. Ramsay	1961-62		
Zeta MacDonald	1963-64, 88-90 & 2003		
N. Gallant	1965-66		
Marie Berry	1967-68 & 1980		
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The Branch's history can be traced back to a meeting held on the 17th of July, 1919 when a Branch of the Great War Veterans Association was formed. In 1926, the Branch would be chartered under the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League which would eventually become the Royal Canadian Legion in the 1960's. The Branch catered to veterans from St. Louis, Miminegash, Elmsdale and Alberton.

For many years the Branch operated in members' homes and rental facilities, including the C.M.B.A. Hall which was to become the first permanent Legion Home in 1945, when it was purchased by the Branch. This move was necessitated by the return home of the Second World War Veterans. The C.M.B.A. Hall was to serve as the Legion Home until it was completely destroyed by fire on the 25th of June, 1952. Through the efforts of an active and dedicated membership and the support of the community, a new Home was built on Phillip street, with the official opening held on the 3rd of February 1953. The building underwent many renovations and additions during the next 3 decades and was a source of pride to its members and the community. Disaster struck again on the 20th of July, 1981 when an early morning fire completely destroyed the building and its contents.

Once again, it was not long before the membership, with community support, was able to erect a new Home which was officially opened on the 25th of September, 1982. Restaurant facilities were added in 1983 with the restaurant opening to the public in June of that year.

The Legion's success over the years can be attributed, to a great degree, to the formation of the Ladies Auxiliary group in 1955 and the Fraternal affiliated in 1970. These groups, with the recent changes in membership to include Associates as voting members will hopefully assure leadership and commitment to the success of our Branch in the future.

In 1951, the Branch was instrumental in fulfilling a dream of the membership to erect a Memorial for those soldiers who paid the supreme sacrifice during the 1st and 2nd World Wars as well as the Korean war.

In 1973, the year of the P.E.I. Centennial celebrations, the Branch, in cooperation with the communities of St. Louis, Miminegash, St. Edward and Palmer Road, erected a Memorial on the St. Louis Elementary School grounds.

The Branch prides itself in sponsoring #641 Royal Canadian Air Cadets Squadron since its inception in 1957. The squadron continues to provide a challenge to approximately 30 area youth. In addition, the Branch has, over the years, supported the Canadian Red Cross Society, local and regional hospitals, seniors' programs, including the recently constructed Seniors Housing Co-op, Scouts and Girl Guides and other community groups and organizations.

Membership stands at 172 and includes: 60 Ordinary / Life Members; 101 Associate Members; 4 Affiliate Voting Members and 7 Affiliate Non-Voting Members.





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Branch No. 6 - Tignish

The Executive and Standing Committees chairpersons for 2003 are as follows:

President	Russell Gallant
1st Vice President	John Sentner
Vice Presidents	Stephen Gallant and Gerard LeClair
Secretary-Treasurer	Don Landry
Membership / Sgt. At Arms	Stephen Gallant
Education	Juanita Gaudet
Honors and Awards	John Sentner
Ways and Means	Francis Buote and Brian LeClair
Service Officer / Padre	Gerard LeClair
Entertainment	Blair Gaudet
Sports / Sick Committee	Clarence Powers
Public Relations/Cubs, Scouts & Guides	Garth MacKinnon
Leadership and Development	Russell Gallant
Past President	Joe Gaudet
Honorary Executive Member	Ron McKinnon

Tignish Ladies Auxiliary has, at this date, 33 paid-up members. The executive and committee chairpersons are:

President	Aggie Gaudet
1st Vice President / Sports	Anne Marie Richard
2nd Vice President	Linda Richard
3rd Vice President	Theresa Perry
Treasurer	Sharon Boudreault
Secretary	Brenda McKinnon
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Membership	Marie DesRoches
Public Relations	Jean Cahill
Honors and Awards	Nancy Butler
Sgt. At Arms	Bea Perry
Past President	Elva Getson

Past and Present Presidents Ladies Auxiliary

Margaret McLeod	1955 & 1956
Irene MacDonald	1957 & 1958
Blanche Ellis	1959 & 1960
Edith Eldershaw	1961 & 1962
Olive Maillette	1963 & 1964
Anne Marie Perry	1965
Irene MacDonald	1966 & 1967
Anne Marie Perry	1968 & 1969
Lydia Doucette	1970 & 1971
Margaret McLeod	1972-73-74
Helen Doucette	1975 & 1976
Eva Buote	1977 & 1978
Bertha DesRoches	1979-80-81
Erma Flemming	1982 & 1983
Laura Getson	1984 & 1985
Beverly Gaudet	1986 & 1987
Bertha DesRoches	1988 & 1989
Janet Gaudet	1990-91-92
Elva Getson	1993 & 1994
Beverly Gaudet	1995
Jean Cahill	1996-97-98-99
Laura Getson	2000
Janette Gaudet	2001
Elva Getson	2002
Aggie Gaudet	2003

Branch No. 7 - Eldon

The first meeting to organize the formation of a Legion Branch in Eldon was conducted at the home of Jim Larrabee in Eldon with the following comrades in attendance; Pat Byrne, Dan MacPherson, Alex MacLeod, Jack MacDougall, David Bishop, Angus Murchison, George Davies and Dan Ross. It was agreed to apply to the Charlottetown Branch for a charter and Pat Byrne was appointed to apply for the Charter. The charter was obtained effective 04 February 1932 and the first branch meeting was held on the first Tuesday in February 1932. A good number of members attended and the following members signed the charter: Pat Byrne, Dan MacPherson, Dan Ross, Jack MacDougall, George Davies, Sam Donovan, David Bishop, Angus Murchison, Jack MacLean, James Bears, George Docherty, Roberts West, Alex MacKenzie & Aubrey MacLellan. The first Armistice Service was held at the Cenotaph at Belfast Church on 11 November 1932 and has continued there ever since.



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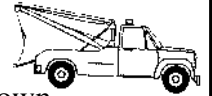
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The following is a list of comrades who have served as Branch Presidents:

1932	Comrade Patrick Byrnes
1933	Comrade John D. MacDougall
1934	Comrade Daniel Ross
1935	Comrade Dave Ross
1936	Comrade George Davies
1937	Comrade Justin Van Iderstine
1938	Comrade Martin MacDonald
1939	Comrade Victor Sanderson
1940	Comrade David Bishop
1941	Comrade Cameron MacPhee
1942	Comrade Roberts West
1943	Comrade Angus Murchison
1944	Comrade Murdoch MacPhee
1945-1946	Comrade Albert MacDonald
1947-1948	Comrade Fred Van Iderstine
1949-1950	Comrade Malcolm Nicholson
1951-1952	Comrade Ross MacPherson
1953-1954	Comrade Findley Smith
1955-1956	Comrade Hector Panton
1957-1958	Comrade Lester MacRae
1959-1960	Comrade Frank MacRae
1961-1962	Comrade Lloyd Morrison
1963-1964	Comrade Fred Panton
1965-1966	Comrade Michael McKenna
1966-1967	Comrade John G. MacPherson
1967-1968	Comrade Hector Panton
1969-1971	Comrade Fred Panton
1972-1973	Comrade John Gillis
1973-1974	Comrade Laurie Morrison Sr.
1974-1975	Comrade Lester MacRae
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1976-1977	Comrade Michael McKenna
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1979	Comrade Stanwood MacLeod
1980	Comrade Charlie Nicholson

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The Eldon Branch welcomed the formation of their Ladies Auxiliary in February 1959. The following ladies have served as president of the Ladies Auxiliary:

1959	Donalda Nicholson
1960	Edylthe Van Iderstine
1961	Emily Panton
1962	Donalda Nicholson
1963	Jessie MacKinnon
1964	Josephine MacPherson
1965	Annie Gillis
1966	Elizabeth Morrisson
1967	Alice West
1968	Anne MacPherson
1969-1970	Jessie MacKinnon
1971	Josephine MacPherson
1972-1973	Emily Panton
1974-1975	Dorothy Vincent
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The Royal Canadian Legion, Montague Branch No. 8, will celebrate its 70th Anniversary in 2003. The Royal Canadian Legion Montague Branch had its beginning on November 29th, 1932 as a New Branch of the British Empire Service League (BESL) at an Organizational Meeting held in the Montague Memorial School and officially received its Charter on January 23rd, 1933 with 37 Charter Members, the First President was Comrade William Arnold MacLaggan and while we were the Ninth Branch to organize, we were actually the Eighth Branch on Prince Edward Island to receive our Charter. Thus Branch No. 8 of The Royal Canadian Legion had its beginning and will have served the Veterans, ex-service members and their families in the 46 communities of: Montague, Lower Montague, Albion, Sturgeon, Gaspereaux, Pamure Island, Cambridge, Peters Road, Pembroke, St. Marys Road, Milltown Cross, Whim Road, Commercial Cross, Kilmuir, Alliston, Iris, Glen Martin, Glen William, Caledonia, Heatherdale, Brooklyn, Head of Montague, Victoria Cross, Roseneath, Murray River, Little Sands, High Bank, White Sands, Murray Harbour North, Hopefield, Beach Point, Gladstone, Abney, Murray Harbour, Point Pleasant, Guernsey Cove, Dover, Sommerville, Union Road, New Perth, Brudenell, Pooles Corner, Wilmet, Grandview, Valleyfield and Georgetown.

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George W. MacDonald	1936	Stewart I. Dewar	1966
A. Fulton Campbell	1937	E. Foch MacDonald	1967
W. Herbert Poole	1938-39	Ernest G. MacDonald	1968
Cecil K. Wightman	1940	G. Ernest Carver	1969-71
Leslie O. MacDonald	1941-45	Homer J. Moar	1972
Marshall C. Reynolds	1946	Martin B. Campbell	1973-77
Douglas McGowan MC	1947-48	Percy Leeco	1978-79
Charles H. Kidd MC	1949	C. Maureen MacKay	1980
Roderick M. Martin	1950	Lloyd Nicholson	1981-82
Russell MacGregor	1951	Seymour MacKinnon	1983-84
L. Cyril Johnston	1952	Alban Jesso	1985-86
Eric B. MacKinnon	1953	Peter F. Campbell	1987-88
Judge J. S. Desroches	1954	Percy Leeco	1989-90
W. Kitchener Smith	1955	Ronald E. Gillis	1991-93
Gerald G. Jardine	1956-57	Gilbert Murphy	1993-94
John A. Clarey	1958	Stewart I. Dewar	1994-95
Norman MacLean	1959	Stewart I. Dewar	1996-97
Malcolm N. MacKenzie	1960	Stewart I. Dewar	1998-99
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Branch No. 8 - Montague - Ladies Auxiliary Past Presidents

In 1947 the Ladies Auxiliary was formed with fifteen (15) charter members. They received their charter on April 29, 1947. And the Ladies Auxiliary became a welcomed part of the Montague Branch, and is still an active part of the branch.

Helen Coffin	1947	Annie Bears	1968-69
Evelyn Ladner	1948	Winnie Munn	1970
Laura MacNeil	1949	Margaret Dewar	1971
Beth McGowan	1950	Kay White	1972-73
Annie Higginbotham	1951	Ester Campbell	1974-76
Catherine Stewart	1952	Lillian Hilchy	1977
Sue Hemphill	1953	Rosella MacKinnon	1978
Lillian MacDonald	1954	Teresa McKeeman	1979
Anna McKeeman	1955	Phylis MacKenzie	1980
Hazel Hooley	1956	Alena Buchanan	1981
Henerietta Clair	1957	Phyliss MacKenzie	1982
Edith Gillis	1958	Maureen MacKay	1983-85
Kay Hughes	1959	Betty Waterman	1986
Janie Campbell	1960	Ester Campbell	1987
Jessie Shaw	1961	Alice MacPhee	1988
Gladys Preece	1962	Margaret White	1989-90
Florence Dewar	1962	Alena Buchanan	1991-92
Margaret Dewar	1963	Audrey Gillis	1993-94
Nita Robertson	1964	Kay MacDonald	1995-96
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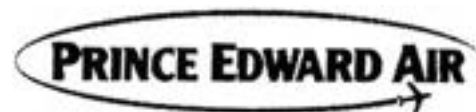
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Branch No. 9 - Kensington - Lt. Col. E.W. Johnstone

The First World War created a new and unforeseen circumstance in Canadian society: the need to provide both for a large number of wounded personnel released from military service and for the dependents of those personnel killed while serving. In the Canadian Expeditionary Force there were approximately 60,000 killed and 138,000 wounded in World War One. Many thousands more lead a very difficult and distressful life as a result of their war experiences. The governments of the day were unprepared to meet these needs and many veterans groups were organized to advocate on behalf of war wounded and dependents.

It was soon evident that these many groups should unite and speak with one voice to address the needs of veterans and dependents. In the United Kingdom the British Legion and the British Empire Services League (BESL) was formed in 1921, amalgamating several groups. In 1925, 12 Canadian veterans groups united to form the Canadian Legion of the BESL.

The Legion continued to grow in Canada and, although experiencing difficulties in the Great Depression, finally came to Kensington in 1932. In that year 20 charter members joined together and made application to Dominion Command to be approved as Kensington (Prince Edward Island # 9) Branch. The charter was granted on 26 January 1933 and signed by Dominion President J.S. Roper. The original charter members were Harry E. Bernard, William L. Delaney, John W. Dobson, Frank Dunning, Frederick H. Henderson, Ernest W. Johnstone, Preston J. Kennedy, Robertson Mann, William T. Mill, D. Heath Montgomery, Peter MacDonald, Ira D. McKay, William McKay, Alfred G. McGougan, Ellis Profitt, Rev George T. Spriggs, Benjamin Thibeau, Byron H. Thompson and Ralph N. Thompson.

The Legion held its meetings in the Kensington town Hall from 1932 until 1955 when a new Legion Home was opened. A project was undertaken in 1954 to move a war surplus "H-hut" barracks from Tignish to Kensington. This was accomplished by cutting the H-hut into four pieces, moving the pieces to Kensington and reconstructing them on the present site. The debt for the move and other costs associated with the "new" Legion home was cleared in 1960. Many renovations have been completed over the years. The present exterior of the Legion took shape in a renovation in 1965. A Ladies Auxiliary room and a Veterans Room have been added and bar, kitchen and banquet facilities have been upgraded.

Under the leadership of then President William Ready, a project was begun in 1988 to honour the memory of Ernest W. Johnstone. Lt. Col. Johnstone was a key leader in the formation of the Legion in 1932, a charter and life member of the Branch and a dedicated supporter of community development. In a ceremony on 27 January 1989 the Branch was officially renamed the Lt. Col. E.W. Johnstone Branch # 9, Royal Canadian Legion.

The Kensington Legion has been successful over the years due to its volunteers. Legion and Ladies Auxiliary members have given thousands of hours of service to fellow members and to the community. Members with 25, 30 and 40 years of service continue to work for the betterment of the Legion. Both the present Executive of the Branch and the present members of the Ladies Auxiliary are endeavoring to continue this tradition and are shown below:

The Kensington Legion has had two of its former presidents elected to office as PEI Command President: Comrades John Henderson and Fred Beairsto. The Ladies Auxiliary has had three members elected as Provincial President: Ruth Carr, Gloria Cole and Ruby MacInnis. Also, Ruth Carr is presently serving as Honourary President of the Ladies Auxiliary of PEI.

Branch #9 has contributed significantly to community development. Contributions of volunteer time, funds and facilities have helped make several activities possible. The annual Bedford / Kensington Peek Wee Hockey Exchange, the CO-OP housing developments, the Foot Care Clinic, Meals on Wheels, Blood Donor Clinics, the School Music Program, the Scouting / Guiding movement, the Prince County Hospital and 1231 Army Cadet Squadron have all benefitted.

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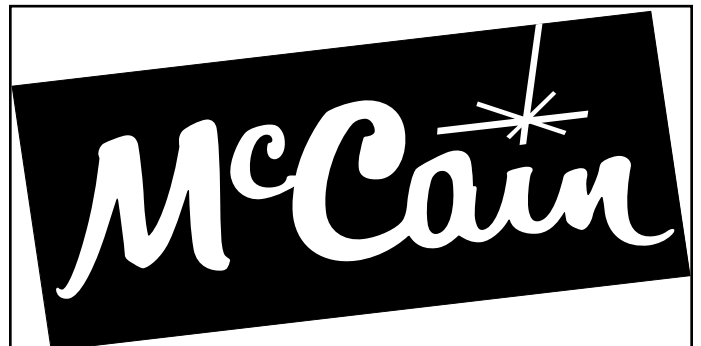
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Three major projects have been completed by Branch #9. A 16-unit seniors CO-OP housing project was built in 1988 and continues to have a waiting list for tenants. A military museum was built and opened in 1987 and remains the only free-standing military museum in the Maritime Provinces. The Veterans Memorial Gardens was opened in Kensington on 02 July 2001. It combines a granite memorial with a picnic and playground space. The Memorial lists the men and women from the districts served by the Kensington Legion who gave military service in times of peace and war. The central panels list those who gave their lives in the Boer, First and Second Wars and Korea. There is space on the Memorial for those who will serve in the future; names are being submitted regularly and will be placed on the Memorial annually. The Kensington Legion welcomes visitors to the Legion Home, Military Museum and Memorial Gardens. Admission is free.

The notable volunteers who have served as Presidents of the Legion Branch and Ladies Auxiliary are listed below with their years of service:

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Lt. Col. E.W. Johnstone	1932-33
Byron H. Thompson	Unavailable
H. Lloyd Howard	Unavailable
William L. Delaney	Unavailable
Preston J. Kennedy	Unavailable
G. Ellis Profitt	Unavailable
Robert E. Howard	Unavailable
J. Robert MacDonald	Unavailable
C. Christian Heechen	Unavailable
D. Roscoe Walker	1947-48
C. William Glydon	1948-49
S. Leaman Caseley	1949-50
Frank K. MacEwan	1950-52
Elmer M. Bernard	1952-53
Michael J. MacKinnon	1953-54
Ernest Taylor	1954-55
Stewart Peppin	1955-56
Roland W. Paynter	1956-58
Donald Baker	1958-60
Roland W. Paynter	1960-61
Donald S. MacLellan	1961-62
James W. Evans	1962-64
Clair A. Mayhew	1964-67
Dr. L.K. Zeilinski	1967-69
S. Leaman Caseley	1969-71
Elmer J. Cole	1971-73
Henry E. Meek	1973-75
John G. Henderson	1975-77
James Brown	1977-78
G. Wallace Thompson	1978-80
F. J. Campbell	1980-81
Ben Champion	1982-84
Joseph Thibeau	1984-86
Donald B. MacKay	1986-87
W. J. Ready	1987-89
Donald Thompson	1989-91
Fred Beirsto	1991-93

Doug Doncaster	1993-95
Blaine Taylor	1995-96
Robert W. Banks	1996-97
Lea Bell	1997-99
Dean Cole	1999-00
Dennis Hopping	2000-02
John Nicholson	2002-03

Ladies Auxiliary Presidents:

Wilena Millar	1955-56
Jean Harding	1956-57
Annie Douglas	1957-58
Jean Mayhew	1958-59
Luella Bryanton	1959-60
Lilly Profitt	1960-61
Erma Turner	1961-62
Ida Peppin	1962-63
Elizabeth MacKay	1963-64
Ruby MacInnis	1964-66
Gloria Cole	1966-69
Minerva Sudsbury	1969-70
Emily Mill	1970-72
Ruth Carr	1972-74
Helen Turner	1974-76
Elva Meek	1976-78
Marion Evans	1978-80
Doris Campbell	1980-82
Marion Hickey	1982-84
Evelyn MacEwan	1984-86
Ruth Thompson	1986-88
Margaret Cousins	1988-90
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Branch No. 10 - Borden-Carleton

In 1944 Veterans in the Borden, PEI area formed the BESL in a building that was used for the Borden Scouts. The first President was Harry Patterson. In January 1945 we received our charter for The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10. The building burned down in the spring of 1952.

During the next three years meetings were held in members homes, each taking their turn monthly. In May 1955 we moved into our new Legion Home. In 1968 we added a wing to the building and in 1990 we completely renovated the downstairs. As of March 2003 we have 118 members.

The Ladies Auxiliary was formed in 1955 with Mary Sutherland acting as the first President. The Auxiliary was very active until 1998 when due to a very small membership they folded.

Each year on November 11 we hold a Remembrance Service at our Branch cenotaph as well as an afternoon service in Kinkora, PEI.

Past Presidents:

1944	Harry Patterson
1945	Earl Thompson
1946	Mike Delaney
1947	Reg Rodgers
1948	Colin Love
1949	John R. MacLaughlin
1950-52	Alfred G. Chappell
1953-55	J.J. MacIsaac
1956	Emery Richard
1957-58	Wilbert Muttart
1959-60	Donald A. MacDonald
1961	Arthur Craig
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1966-67	Arthur Craig
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1970	Wilbert Muttart
1971	Donald A. MacDonald
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1975-76	Waldo Gardiner

Past Presidents: (continued)

1977-78	William Cohoon
1979	John Hanlan
1980-82	Fred H. Jeffery
1983-84	Robert Carmichael
1985-86	Fred H. Jeffery
1987-88	Earl Muttart
1989	Reg Noonan
1990	Earl Muttart
1991	Danny Bernard
1992-93	Keith Sigsworth
1994-96	Dianne Kennedy
1997-98	Brian O'Connor
1999-2001	Keith Sigsworth
2002	Dianne Kennedy

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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 13 - North Rustico

North Rustico Branch No. 13 was issued its charter on 07 December 1945. It is the oldest existing WWII Branch on PEI.

The branch built and operated an outdoor rink on its property in the early years. When the community decided to build its own indoor rink, Branch #13 became the largest single donor pledging \$20,000.00 which was paid off in less than ten years.

In the mid-1950's the branch initiated an essay contest to help develop a spirit of remembrance on Canada's role in the Wars. This contest quickly spread to Zone and then Provincial level. It now covers all Canada and includes poems and posters as well as essays.

In 1985, the branch hosted the National darts championship - a first for PEI. For many years the branch sponsored Red Cross bold donor clinics, as well as the local Boy Scout troop, minor league hockey and ball teams. The North Rustico Branch proudly sponsors the Blue Heron Sea Cadet Corps.

The following comrades have served as presidents of the branch:

1945-1946	Comrade Roy Doiron
1947-1948	Comrade James C Blacquiere
1949	Comrade John L Doiron
1950-1951	Comrade Leo Gallant
1952-1954	Comrade John L. Doiron
1955	Comrade Eugene LeClair
1956	Comrade Ernest Buote
1957-1958	Comrade Murray Cassidy
1959	Comrade Leo Gallant
1960	Comrade Lawrence Gallant
1961-1962	Comrade Buddy Pineau
1963-1964	Comrade Clarence Doiron
1965	Comrade John L. Doiron
1966-1969	Comrade Clarence Doiron
1970-1971	Comrade Joe Pineau
1972	Comrade Ken Gallant
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1974	Comrade Paul Gallant
1975-1976	Comrade Bill Evans
1977-1979	Comrade Vincent Blacquiere
1980-1981	Comrade Leonard Doiron
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1984-1985	Comrade Gary Gallant
1986-1987	Comrade Ferdinand LeClair
1988-1989	Comrade Shirley Gallant
1990	Comrade Bill Evans
1991-1992	Comrade Art Gallant
1993-1994	Comrade Dan MacFarlane
1995	Comrade Shirley Gallant
1996	Comrade Edwin Gallant
1997	Comrade Dan MacFarlane
1998-2000	Comrade George Doucette
2001	Comrade Paul Sampson
2002	Comrade George Doucette
2003	Comrade Paul Sampson

The Ladies Auxiliary of North Rustico Branch were issued their charter on 07 December 1956. Though nearly 50 years have passed since this historical event the Ladies Auxiliary continues to be a viable and vibrant force in full support of the branch. Their assistance, through volunteers and financial contributions is an integral part in the life of this branch.

Ladies Auxiliary Presidents

Eleanor Doucette	1956 (charter president)
Cecile Doiron	1957-58-59-60
Eleanor Doucette	1961-62
Bernice Gauthier	1963
Marion Gallant	1964-65
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Sharon Doucette	1969
Noreen Pineau	1970
Annette Corcoran	1971-72
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Bernice Gallant	1981-82-83
Edith Gallant	1984-85
Bernice Gallant	1986-87
Phyllis Doucette	1988-89
Janet Gallant	1990-91-92
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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 13 - North Rustico



2003 Executive Branch No. 13 - North Rustico

Branch No. 17 - Wellington

Wellington received their Charter on 04 April 1946, after World War II. The purpose of the Wellington Legion was to attend to the financial, medical and social needs of the veterans, widows and orphans of World War I, World War II and later the Korean War.

2003 Executive Picture: Standing Left to Right:

Cedric Gallant - Executive Member, Gerard Arsenault - Executive Member, David Gallant - Executive Member, Fred Beairsto - President - PEI Command, Austin Poirier - Past President, Albert Arsenault - Executive Member, Gilles Painchaud - Sgt-At-Arms

Seated Left to Right:

Marcel Arsenault - 3rd Vice-President & Recording Secretary, Jim Cameron - 1st Vice-President, Paul Gallant - President, John Gallant - Executive Member, Jay Gallant - Service Officer. The picture represents the new wall mural located in the Sunset Lounge. This mural was painted by **Anne Gallant** an artist from the local area.

Left to Right:

Paul Gallant - President, Albert Arsenault, Amanda Gallant, Anne Gallant - Artist

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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 17 - Wellington - The Ladies Auxiliary

A recent picture of some Ladies Auxiliary members of the branch includes current Ladies Auxiliary President Yvonne Gallant - front row, third from left and Past President Dianne Painchaud - front row, farthest on right.



The following comrades have served as Presidents of Branch # 17, Wellington:

1946-1948	Comrade Cyrus E. Gallant
1949-1950	Comrade Anthony Gallant
1951	Comrade Joseph Gaudet
1952	Comrade Cyrus E. Gallant

1953-1956	Comrade Archie Barriault
1957	Comrade Abel Arsenault
1958	Comrade Leo J.T. Arsenault
1959-1960	Comrade Edmund Arsenault
1961-1963	Comrade Alyre Arsenault
1964	Comrade Tilmon Arsenault
1965	Comrade Fidele Gallant
1966	Comrade Clifford Gaudet
1967	Comrade Alyre Arsenault
1968-1969	Comrade Louis Gallant
1970-1971	Comrade Theodore Gallant
1972-1974	Comrade Albin Arsenault
1975-1976	Comrade Fidele Gallant
1977-1978	Comrade Clifford Gaudet
1979-1980	Comrade Edward Arsenault
1981-1982	Comrade Fidele Gallant
1983-1986	Comrade Edward Gallant
1987	Comrade Austin Poirier
1988	Comrade Albert Arsenault
1989-1990	Comrade John Gallant
1991-1993	Comrade Austin Poirier
1994-1996	Comrade Fidele Gallant
1997-2000	Comrade Austin Poirier
2001-2003	Comrade Paul Gallant

Branch No. 18 - Miscouche

Patrick Martin was a veteran of WWI. He served overseas with the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry. In 1945-46, Pat contacted the returning veterans of WWII with the acquisition of a Legion charter in mind.

Seven attended the first meeting held in the Miscouche Village hall. The original founding members included: Edward G. DesRoches, Dona Eli Blacquiére, Joseph A. Gaudet, Anthony A. Arsenault, William L. DesRoches, Joachin P. DesRoches, Phil J. LeClair, Joseph A. Peters, James Yeo, Edward G. DesRoches, Donna Eli Blacquiére, Joseph A. Gaudet, Anthony A. Arsenault, William L. DesRoches, Joachin P. DesRoches, Phil J. LeClair, Joseph A. Peters, James Yeo, Ormond MacNeill, Percy J. DesRoches, Jack A. Yeo, Joseph A. Gaudet, James A. MacKinnon, Art J. LeClair, Michael A. DesRoches, Philip S. Perry, Benoit J. DesRoches, Danial J. DesRoches, Albert W. Kincaide, Alderic W. Perry, Frank S. Squarebriggs, Ernest J. Arsenault, John J. Gaudet, Stanley J. MacKinnon, Edward S. DesRoches, George W. Veno,

Ormond MacNeill, Percy J. DesRoches, Jack A. Yeo, Joseph A. Gaudet, James A. MacKinnon, Art LeClair, Michael A. DesRoches, Phillip S. Perry, Benoit J. DesRoches, Danial J. DesRoches, Albert W. Kindake, Alderic W. Perry, Frank S. Squarebriggs, Ernest J. Arsenault, John J. Gaudet, Stanley J. MacKinnon, Edward S. DesRoches, George W. Veno. Negotiations proceeded to acquire a building from Mount Pleasant Airport. This building was hauled by grader to its resting place on Highway # 2 on the east boundary of the Village of Miscouche.

It was unique that a one bedroom apartment was incorporated in the "Home" building. First to occupy the apartment was Manager / Custodian Dave Cameron, then by O.J. Gallant, Frank MacNeill & Wife, and finally by George & Nina Langmaid.

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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 18 - Miscouche

On completion of the new "Home", the old building was sold and was used by various businesses including the Double D. Restaurant, a motorcycle dealership, and an autobody shop prior to being consumed by fire a few years later.

In 1971, it was decided to build a new branch "Home". This was started in late 1971 and officially opened 30 July 1973. The opening coincided with PEI's Centennial Celebration.

In the cornerstone was embedded a copper urn that contains a history of the Miscouche Legion and personal artifacts of members. The official opening was performed by Comrade Wiley Barrett, Wing Commander Ret. 30 July 1973.

The branch made very good progress and in 1983 was in a position of being able to build a 6500 square foot extension. Not only was this financially viable, but necessary for the expanding business.

The new extension allowed for a larger functions area, Ladies Auxiliary kitchen and Cocktail Bar on the upper floor. On the lower floor, a Veterans / Seniors Room, larger sports rooms and a restaurant called "Wilf's Nook".

On 1 January 1973, the first levee was held and continues to draw large crowds from all over Prince County.

What we may consider a first, in 1974, it was recognized that some kind of organized program was needed to entertain graduating students on graduation night. The branch held a dry dance for students upstairs and downstairs, entertainment for parents. The first safe grad? Branch # 18 has held the Boy Scouts Charter since 1952 with annual financial support. As a community project, Branch made a \$5000 commitment to be paid over 5 years to purchase a new fire truck for the Village of Miscouche.

Prince County Fire Departments had no Jaws of Life Equipment. Miscouche Fire Department pursued this need and a donation of \$3000 to each of St. Eleanors and Summerside Fire Departments made this dream a reality. This has since been copied in other communities in Prince County.

A major reduction in Ladies Auxiliary membership has had a very negative impact. The manager, some paid help and volunteers have to manage banquets, etc. This of course reflects in lower profit at a time legion branches can ill afford it. Younger ladies are joining as associate members and older Ladies Auxiliary members have transferred over. Good for per capita taxes but poor for branches.

Past Presidents

1946-1950	Pat Martin
1947	Perley MacNeill
1948	Regis Gaudet
1949-1953	Albert Kincaid
1951	Edmond Arsenault
1952	Raymond Farrell
1952-1955	Gus Gaudet
1954	Ben Sonier
1956-1957	O.J. Gallant
1958	Elmer Gaudet
1959-1960-1961-1967	George Veno
1962-1963-1964	Dave Cameron
1965-1966-1970-1971-1984	Everett Gallant
1967	Harold Blacquiere
1968	Eddie Gaudet
1969	Frank St. John
1973	Maurice McQuaid
1974-1975	Joe Perry
1974-1976	George Langmaid
1977-1978	Wilfred Gallant
1978-1979	Gerry Prendergast
1980-1981-1987-1988-1997	Lloyd Cameron
1982-1983	Allan Parks
1985-1986	Elgin Veno
1989-1990	Simon Arsenault
1991-1992	Keir Johnson
1993-1994	Edmond Gallant
1995-1996	Bob Dixon
1998-1999	Les Phelan
2000	Diane Dixon
2001-2002	Danny Gaudet

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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 18 - Miscouche

Branch No. 18 - Founding Members of Miscouche

Edward G. DesRoches	Cona Eli Blacquiere	Joseph A. Gaudet	Anthony A. Arsenault
William L. DesRoches	Joachin P. DesRoches	Phil J. LeClair	Joseph A. Peters
James Yeo Ormond	MacNeill Percy	J. DesRoches	Jack A Yeo
Joseph A. Gaudet	James A. MacKinnon	Art J. LeClair	Michael A. DesRoches
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Stanley J. MacKinnon	Edward S. DesRoches	George W. Veno	

Branch No. 19 - Cardigan

Cardigan Branch # 19 received its charter on August 1, 1946 and remained active for forty-five years. With the decline in veterans and increased costs of operation, Branch # 19 ceased having regular meetings in the early 1990's but continued having Remembrance Day parades. In 2001 several sons and daughters of veterans decided to rejuvenate Branch # 19 and with the help of Provincial Command their first meeting was held in the spring and the following persons were nominated: Claude Brothers-President, Michael Rice-Vice President, Grace Blackette-Secretary, Alice Rice-Treasurer and George Wilson-Poppy Chair.

On April 2, 2003 the following persons were nominated for the upcoming year: Claude Brothers-President, Kenny MacPhee-Vice President, Grace Blackette-Secretary, Michael Rice-Treasurer, Jimmy Quinn-Membership Chair and George Wilson-Poppy Chair. Past Presidents of Cardigan Legion include John A. MacDonald, Len Allen, J. P. Morrison, Elton MacDonald, Kimball Victor, John Dan Campbell, John Quinn, Francis Sheppard, Alban Brothers, George Wilson, Dan Ward, Josie MacKenzie, Michael MacDonald, Richard Quinn, Leonard MacIntyre.

Branch No. 22 - Ellerslie

Ellerslie Branch # 22 was awarded the Corporate Seal of the Legion October 23, 1956. The first members were Messrs. B. J. Broome, J. W. Broome, J. C. Mc Donald, O. MacDonald, Lieut. L. A. England, H. W. Grant, C. G. MacKinnon, S. G. Lewis, G. J. Moran, W. E. Oatway, W. J. Palmer, J. E. Wagner, C. Williams, J. W. MacKinnon, W. A. England.

The building was part of one of the buildings from the No.10 Bombing and Gunnery School in Mount Pleasant. In 1974, there was an addition of 30 x 100 feet upstairs and downstairs made to the existing structure plus 12 x 40 feet to accommodate a kitchen.



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Branch No. 22 - Ellerslie

Executive of Branch 22

Past President	Elmer Ramsay
President	Gordon Millar
1st Vice	Myrna Millar
2nd Vice	James Williams
3rd Vice	Wayne Millar
Secretary	Carmen Phillips
Treasurer	Susan Williams

Finance Chairman	Erwin Dennis
Sgt. Arms	Victor Redmond
Service Officer	Clayton Ballum Carmen Phillips
Members at Large	Donnalee Noye Willis McKie Gary Ballum

Past Presidents

1946	L. A. England
1947-1948	Claire Montgomery
1949-1950	A. S. MacCaull
1951-1953	A. W. Boyle
1954	D. S. Montgomery
1955-1956	W. C. MacKay
1957-1958	Cyril Williams
1959	R. R. Logie and J. E. Colwill
1960	J. E. Colwill
1961	Murdock Enman
1962	J. C. Morrison and H. A. Hutchinson
1963	Cordon Millar and R. L. MacLean
1964-1965	B. S. Williams
1966-1967	Orrin MacDonald
1968	S. B. Enman
1969-1970	W. A. England
1971-1973	C. L. Phillips
1974	Clayton Ballum
1975-1976	E. A. Dennis
1977	J. Harry Ellis
1978-1979	A. Fenton Boylan
1980	J. W. Burleigh
1981	Victor Redmond
1982	A. Fenton Boylan
1983	Wendell C. MacKay
1984-1985	Lloyd Frost
1986	J. Earl Colwill
1987	Wendell T. Gillis
1988-1989	Wayne Walfield

1990-1991	Chester MacLennan
1992-1993	David Vokey
1994-1995	Billy Walfield
1996-1997	Carmen Phillips
1997-2000	Gordon Millar
2000-2002	Elmer Ramsay
2002	Gordon Millar

Let it be known that The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 22 Ladies Auxiliary was given their charter June 17, 1958. The Ellerslie Ladies Auxiliary was formed November 29, 1956 with the following as charter members: Pearl Williams, Elva MacLennan, Jean Milligan, Ethel Hutchinson, Hazel Palmer-MacDonald, Eva Colwill, Kathleen MacLean, Blanche England, Glenn Williams.

Past Presidents

1956-1957	Peal Williams
1957-1958	Jean Milligan
1958-1959	Frances Oatway
1959-1960	Eva Colwill
1960-1961	Susie Enman
1961-1963	Adah Millar
1963-1964	Georgie Ellis
1964-1966	Mrs. Orrin MacDonald
1966-1967	Elva MacLennan
1967-1969	Joyce MacCaull
1969-1972	Pearl Williams
1972-1974	Jean Boylan
1974-1975	Kathleen MacLean
1975-1976	Doreen Redmond
1976-1978	Eva Colwill
1978-1979	Susie Enman
1979-1981	Norma Ramsay
1981-1983	Elva MacLennan
1983-1985	Doreen Redmond
1985-1987	Olive Dennis
1987-1990	Norma Ramsay
1990-1993	Rena Hawkins
1993-1995	Edith Morrison
1995-1997	Donnalee Noye
1997-1998	Rena Hawkins
1998-1999	Norma Ramsay
2000	Edith Morrison

The Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary Branch 22 surrendered their charter February 2000.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 26 - Morell

At a general meeting called for all ex-service soldiers and sailors in June 1926, The Provincial Command of The Great War Veterans' Association of Prince Edward Island adopted a series of resolutions in favor of the objects and aims of The British Empire Service League.

The Morell Branch of The Canadian Legion received its charter on December 13, 1946 with the late William Geldert as president and Carl MacAdam as secretary. The other members named on the charter were; Reginald MacAdam, Francis MacAdam, Gerry MacAdam, Fred Blaxland, Hubert Coffin, Eldon Drake, J.J. MacDonald, Barney MacDonald, Cecil Eldershaw, John B. McGrath, Edgar Hawbolt, John MacInnis, William Kelly, and J. Allie Murphy. These men were dedicated workers and the success of the branch in the early years of formation was due to their efforts.

The veterans helped each other and helped disabled veterans obtain pensions and medical aid. They worked for the good of the community and in 1947 they built a large outdoor rink at a cost of \$ 3,300.00. In 1953 the veterans bought a house and fitted it for a meeting place with club rooms and a dance hall. They also provided a classroom for two years to the grade eleven pupils who were the first for Morell High School now Morell Regional High. After 1962 the veterans donated scholarships and prizes for the students who attended high school in Morell.

In 1959, The Legion erected a large monument to the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the various wars. In 1961 The Legion at St. Peter's discontinued and amalgamated with the Morell Branch. This amalgamation remains in place today. Over the years The Legion has sponsored Red Cross Swimming Classes, blood donor clinics, Christmas parties for young and old, baseball teams, hockey teams as well contributing to many worth while community causes. In 1962 The Legion applied for a new Charter when it became possible to be known as The Royal Canadian Legion.

In 1967, The Legion purchased the old Morell Elementary School building; remodeled it and moved into it in 1968. The Legion provided, rent free, the second floor of the old Legion building as a day care center and the bottom floor as a library from 1968-1978 the building was sold and demolished to make way for the present Morell Credit Union. The new Legion home provided a meeting place

for senior citizens. The seniors also held parties and the occasional dance. Space was also provided for boy scouts, dancing lessons, armed forces recruitment center and manpower classes.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of The Morell Branch was organized in 1959 and received its charter May 02, 1962. This Auxiliary proved to be an immense help to the veterans as well as the community at large. Mrs Amy Geldert was the first president, Mrs Helen MacAdam the first secretary and Mrs. James Jay the first treasurer. The Auxiliary raised money by holding bingo as well as catering to banquets, weddings and dinners. The members entertained the Ladies' Auxiliaries from other branches on P.E.I.. They also donated money to the branch as well as other worth while organizations such as hospitals and the challenged children's association. They purchased dishes and equipment for The Legion kitchen as well as furniture for the building.

The following members have served as Legion President since the charter in 1946.

1946	William Geldert
1947-48	Freeman Webster
1949-50	Gerry MacAdam
1951-52	Byron Webster
1953-56	Reginald MacAdam
1957-1959	James Blaxland
1960, 1965 1973,1991	Melvin MacLaren
1961,1967	Edgar MacKinnon
1962	Patrick Cent.
1963	Walter Coffin
1964	John MacInnis
1966	Frank MacMillan
1966	Arthur MacDonald
1967, 1968, 1971	Jack Sutherland
1969	Ted Anderson
1970, 1972	Clement Cent.
1971	Edward Hawbolt
1974	Fred Blaxland
1975	Leo MacDonald
1976	Alfred Heard
1977, 1978	Ronald MacDonald
1979	Jack Coffin
1979, 1980	William O'Hanley
1981-1990	Carl MacAdam
1991-1997	Frank MacLaren
1997-2001	Arthur Eldershaw
2001	Mrs. Catherine McDonald

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 27 - Bloomfield

Following W.W.II several Veterans in the Bloomfield area began meeting socially in private homes. Under the leadership of Arthur Martin, funds were raised, land was acquired and the Legion Home was constructed with volunteer labour. The Branch Charter was issued on 8th April 1947.

Over the years, under the leadership of Veterans and other members, membership grew, the Legion Home was expanded in the 1960's again in the 1980's and it became a centre which offered social, recreational and banquet facilities for the local community.

The Branch sponsored Scouting groups, local sports teams, donated to local charities, created High School bursaries and made commitments to the O'Leary, Alberton and Prince County Hospitals' equipment funds.

In 1995 a new cenotaph was built (by a W.W. II Veteran) and dedicated on the 50th Anniversary of V.E. Day.

Branch 27 has had an active Ladies Auxiliary from 1957 until the present (2003) and they continue to support the Branch and its commitments.

St. Anthony's Br. 27 continues to uphold the objects of the Legion by promoting Remembrance and the welfare of Veterans and their dependents.

Charter Members 1947

A. Peters
Joe Peters
J.P. Pineault
Camille Pineau
Joseph Pineau
Emmanuel Gallant
J.G. Gallant
Arthur Martin

J.J. Gallant
Louis Jones
Adrien Pineau
Octave Pineau
Teddy Gallant
John H. Gallant
Leo Peters

2003 Executive

President	James Hudson
1st Vice	Sonny Tremblay
2nd Vice	Earl Murphy
3rd Vice	Alan Curtis
Secretary	Wayne Miller
Treasurer	Sonny Tremblay
Sgt. At Arms	Joe Skerry
Past President	Wendall Costain

Executive Members

Alan Leard
Arnel Barrie
Clarence Pineau

Gerry Arsenault
Lynda Curtis
Barry Gallant

Branch # 27 in 1947



THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 27 - Bloomfield

Soon after the Second World War was over, our Veterans of WWI, who had served as "Home Guard" during the second war, got together and organized what is today our Branch # 27, they would meet every month in the homes of the Veterans. Later on when more Veterans from the area returned home from overseas also became involved and it was then necessary to purchase a building. The Veterans wives would also meet every month the same night, to have a meeting, and hold a social hour. At that time we had 30 Members when we received our Charter in 1957. As no past records are available, four of our Charter members got together to recall the early years of our Auxiliary. Our first President was elected, Jenny Pineau. Some Chartered Members were Rosie Gallant, Bernice Gallant, Pricilla Gallant, Alcie Blanchard, Agnas Peters, Aggie Arsenault, Edith Pineau, MaryAnn Pineau, Helen Gallant, Marcia Gaudett, Rose Martin.

Some of our Past Presidents to the best of our knowledge were:

Edith Pineau	1958-59
Rose Martin	1959-60
Juanita Clements	
Helen Gallant	1963-64
Alice Gallant	1965-66
Leona Gallant	1967-68 1978-79
Marcia Gaudett	1973-74
Zella O'Meara	1975-76
Jean Murphy	1979-80 2000-01
Mildred Pineau	1981-82 1994-95
Kathleen Clements	1984-87
Janet Howlett	1988-89, 1990-91, 1996-97
Joan Blanchard	1992-93
MaryEllen Hardy	1997-99
Linda Leard	1999-2000

As of today one of our own members has become President of the PEI Command Ladies Auxiliary, Linda Leard.

Our present day Auxiliary members are, from left to right,

back row:

Elloise O'Halloran	2nd Vice President
Roxanne Milligan	Secretary
Maureen McPhee	1st Vice President

Front row:

Joan Blanchard	Sgt. At Arms
Ester Miller	3rd Vice President
Mary Gallant	President
Marcia Gaudett	Treasurer
Missing from photo :	Jean Murphy Past President



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THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND COMMAND

Branch No. 30 - Kingston

Kingston Branch # 30 received its Charter from The British Empire Service League on 11 April 1947. The following are the charter members of the branch: First President and charter member-Comrade Earl Docherty. The other charter members are: P.W. Cavanagh, M.L. Murphy, L. Tremere, G.A. Larter, PL.P. Tremere, A.G. MacPhee, N.D. Lamont, W.M. MacNevin, F.W. Holmes, G.M. Henderson, H.F. MacKinnon and J. F. McQuaid.

When the Branch received its Charter in 1947, there was no Branch premises as such. For nearly three years the members met in the Orange Lodge Hall at Kingston. A few meetings were held in the school at New Haven. During this time card parties were held in yet another hall in Long Creek. In 1950, the Charlottetown Branch # 1, offered facilities in their Branch Home for meetings of Kingston Branch and for the next eight years the meetings of the Kingston Branch were held there.

In 1957, the Branch purchased a two acre lot on the corner of what is now the Trans-Canada Highway and the West River Road. The purchase price was \$1,000.00. It was financed by \$10.00 shares, purchased by members and a small loan from the bank. In 1958, the Branch bought an old building that had been a funeral parlour and moved it to their lot. While the building was suitable for meetings, it was too small for card parties and other community activities. In 1959, members bought part of a horse shed from the Presbyterian Church in Canoe Cove, took the shed apart in sections and transported it to the Branch lot and set it up next to the existing building. All the renovations were done by volunteers. Charlottetown Branch loaned the branch \$3,000.00 at 5% interest with the principal repayable at the rate of \$600.00 per year. The mortgage was paid off and the documents burned on 06 February 1964. Two major additions were done to the Branch since 1959, an 11' x 44' wing was added to the East side in 1966 and an extension 22' x 44' was added in 1973.

The following is a list of comrades who have served as Presidents of the Branch:

1947-1948	Comrade Earl Docherty
1949-1953	Comrade A.C. MacEachern
1954-1955	Comrade Roy Bruce
1956	Comrade Michael Murphy
1957-1958	Comrade H.W.F. MacKinnon
1959-1960	Comrade Hector T. Currie
1961-1962	Comrade John A. MacDonald
1963	Comrade James E. MacKenzie
1964	Comrade W. Russell Mason
1965	Comrade Wilfred Stretch
1966	Comrade J. Charles Flood
1967	Comrade Warren C. MacDonald
1968	Comrade Wylie A.C. Barrett
1969	Comrade James G. Yeo
1970-1971	Comrade Morgan McGaughey
1972-1975	Comrade Paul Hoy
1976	Comrade David Clark
1977	Comrade Victor MacFayden
1978-1979	Comrade Claude Clow
1980-1981	Comrade Lee Gill
1982-1983	Comrade Les MacNevin
1984-1985	Comrade Linus Alchorn
1986-1987	Comrade Roy Tremere
1988-1990	Comrade Bob Pharaoh
1991-1993	Comrade Al MacLachlan
1994-1995	Comrade Claus Broderson
1996-1997	Comrade Claude Clow
1997-1999	Comrade Hector Scott
1999-2000	Comrade Brian Willoughby
2000-2001	Comrade Al MacLachlan
2001-2003	Comrade Claude Clow

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Branch was formed in June 1960 and has been very active in supporting the Branch since that time. They have been instrumental in catering to wedding receptions, showers, anniversaries, lobster suppers, Remembrance Day banquets and New Years Eve parties throughout the year. Their contribution to the Branch through their volunteer service and monetary donations throughout the years has been tremendous. Similar to most other Branch Ladies Auxiliary groups, they have been one of the mainstay of the Branch.



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The following is a list of members who have served as President of the Branch Ladies Auxiliary:

1960-1961	Grace Yeo	1977-1978	Dorothy Yeo
1961-1963	Georgie Ross	1978-1979	Ina Darrach
1963-1965	Mary Currie	1979-1980	Irene Phillips
1965-1967	Ruth Barrett	1980-1987	Helen MacNevin
1967-1968	Helen Berriga	1987-1989	Roma Clow
1968-1970	Ina Darrach	1989-1991	Bernice Flood
1970-1972	Ena Docherty	1991-1993	Wilma MacKinnon
1972-1974	Dorothy Yeo	1993-1995	Sheila Gass
1974-1976	Irene Phillips	1995-2001	Bernice Flood
1976-1977	Anna Clark	2001-2003	Emily Williams

Branch No. 34 - Magdalen Islands, Quebec

Branch No.34 - Magdalen Islands is located in the Province of Quebec, but belongs to PEI Provincial Command of The Royal Canadian Legion because of its closer proximity to PEI than Quebec. Branch No.34 received its Charter on October 2, 1970 and the Ladies Auxiliary of Branch No. 34 received their Charter on January 16, 1971.

Past Presidents:

1970-1974	Comrade Isaac Bourgeois
1974-1975	Comrade Gerard Noel
1975-1977	Comrade Emmanuel LeBlanc
1977-1980	Comrade Odilas Arsenault
1980-1983	Comrade Emmanuel LeBlanc
1983-1990	Comrade Odilas Arsenault
1990-1991	Comrade Emile Arsenault
1991-1992	Comrade Odilas Arsenault
1992-1995	Comrade Armand LeBlanc
1995-2003	Comrade Roger Langford

Magdalen War Memorial



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