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January Newsletter

Happy New Year from Branch 616! Tom Watters and the renovations team have been working on the function room and are pleased to say it is ready for guests to enjoy the annual Levee. The ceiling and lighting still have to be done but the new dart boards and new paint scheme look fabulous. Back to work after the holidays!

With a new year starting and the Membership Campaign being over, Chair Jim Wilson reports that the 616 membership fee will increase by \$5.00 effective February 1, 2025. You may renew your 2025 membership online or at the bar for \$60.00 until February 1, then it will \$65.00 per annum. The number of renewals and new members for 2025 so far is impressive.

The sports program is well underway. Branch 616 sent 2 crib teams to Zone in Perth – they placed first and second and will be going to District at Barry's Bay Branch # 406. We are pleased to announce that Brie Gilmore is now Branch 616 Sports Officer and Wayne Flieler has been appointed Sergeant-at-Arms. Congratulations Comrades.

Friday night dinners are back in production. The Government's holiday gift of no GST/PST has brought the price of our Meals to Wheels dinner down to \$17.50. This is in effect until February 15.

Past Events

Children's Christmas Party: Thank you to everyone who attended this annual event sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary. The kids and their families enjoyed lunch, made crafts, and decorated Christmas cookies. A visit from Santa bringing gifts and treats rounded out the day. Thank you Santa! Thank you to the volunteers (Cori, Lindsay, Katrina, to mention a few) for making this a great day for everyone!



Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar: Once again the LA provided a great venue for local vendors to show their skills and provide some perfect Christmas gifts. All the vendors who attended are looking forward to more of the same in the spring. Thank you to them and to all the volunteers who helped make the day. (Pics on p3)

Newsletter by Arleen Morrow
& Marilyn Deslauriers

Branch Christmas Bash: Another fine pre-Christmas celebration! Thank you to NTNRML for providing their usual rocking brand of entertainment! Thank you to the volunteers who set it all up! (Pic on p3)

Turkey Shoot: This annual chance to win your Christmas dinner went off without a hitch. Thank you to Jim Wilson and the volunteers for engineering this popular annual event. Arnprior walked away with the top prizes.



New Year's Day Levee: A steady crowd of members and friends streamed in and out of the Branch all day. The spread of hot Lasagna with Caesar salad, sandwiches and cheese, various squares and sweets, was put on by the Ladies Auxiliary and Peter. Entertainment by Mike & Doug went on all day with few breaks and was excellent. Thank you to all the volunteers and participants who brought in 2025 in fine style! Thank you to Deputy Zone Commander Jim Wilson for his official visit to the Branch. (Pics on p5)

Coming Up:

Friday January 10 2025, Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner: Baked Ham, Scalloped potatoes, Mixed veggies, Dinner roll, Homemade Apple pie, \$17.50 ea. pickup 5:30 pm. Cut-off date for orders Tuesday January 7.

Saturday January 11: Trivia !! 7:00 pm., everyone welcome, blind draw for teams.

Sunday January 19: Euchre !! 1:00 pm. Bring your partner or get one here.

Friday January 24, Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner: Menu TBA

Sunday January 26: Euchre !! 1:00 pm. Bring your partner or pick one up here!

Saturday February 15: Branch Dart Tourney, open to members of house dart leagues only.

Register at 11:00 am, play at 11:30 pm.

Sunday February 16, Old Sled Run: Details coming

Don't Forget:

Next L.A. Meeting – Monday January 6, 7:00 pm.

Next Branch Meeting – Monday January 20 Executive 6:30 pm. General 7:30 pm.

Hall Rental: We have an 80 to 100 capacity space to rent - please call the Branch for info **613-832-2082**

Standing Dates:

Monday: Every 1st Monday: Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 pm.

Every 3rd Monday: Branch Executive Meeting 6:30 pm.

Every 3rd Monday of June*, September, November, January, March, May: Branch General Meeting 7:30 pm. *The Legion fiscal year starts on June 1st July & August general meetings are suspended.

Every 2nd Monday: Ladies darts Singles, blind draw 7:00 pm.

Tuesday: Ladies' Darts 7:00 pm.

Every 2nd Tuesday: Seniors Potluck & Meeting 12:00 noon

Every Wednesday: Youth Darts, 7:00 pm

Thursday: Men's Darts 7:00 pm.

Friday: Mixed Darts 7:00 pm.

Every 2nd Friday: Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner 5:30 p.m. \$20.00

Canada Day: every July 1st
Legion Week: 3rd Sunday in September to following Saturday
Branch Remembrance Day: Saturday prior to November 11
New Year's Day Levee: every January 1st
St. Patrick's Day Celebration: every March 17
Children's Easter Party: every Easter Sunday

RED FRIDAYS - Please show your support for our troops and their families and to the families of the 158 soldiers killed in Afghanistan.



L.A. Christmas Bazaar

Christmas Bash!



Beef Bourguignon



Ladies Darts Christmas

Pajama Party





Zone Crib at Perth Branch



New Year's Levee

JANUARY 2025 CALENDAR



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Years Day Levee	2	3	4
5	6 L.A. Meeting 7:00 pm	7 Ladies Darts 7pm	8 Youth Darts	9 Men's Darts 7pm	10 Meals to Wheels, Ham 5:30pm. Mixed Darts 7pm	11 Trivia 7:00 pm
12	13	14 Senior's Potluck & meeting 12pm Ladies Darts 7pm	15 Youth Darts	16 Men's Darts 7pm	17 Mixed Darts 7pm	18
19 Euchre 1:00 pm	20 Branch meetings Exec 6:30 pm Gen 7:30 pm	21 Ladies Darts 7pm	22 Youth Darts	23 Men's Darts 7pm	24 Meals to Wheels 5:30 pm. Mixed Darts 7pm	25
26 Euchre 1:00 pm.	27	28 Ladies Darts 7pm	29 Youth Darts	30 Men's Darts 7pm	31 Mixed Darts 7pm	



February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 LA Mtg 7:00 pm.	4 Ladies Darts 7pm	5 Youth Darts	6 Men's Darts 7pm	7 Mixed Darts 7pm	8
9	10	11 Senior's Potluck & meeting 12pm Ladies Darts 7pm	12 Youth Darts	13 Men's Darts 7pm	14 Mixed Darts 7pm	15 Branch House Leagues Dart Tourney 11:00 am.
16 Old Sled Run	17 Branch Exec Mtg 7:00pm	18 Ladies Darts 7pm	19 Youth Darts	20 Men's Darts 7pm	21 Mixed Darts 7pm	22
23	2 4	25 Ladies Darts 7pm	26 Youth Darts	27 Men's Darts 7pm	28 Mixed Darts 7pm	

District G - 2025 Sports Calendar

Events	Zone G6	Host	Location	District Date	Host	Provincial Date	Host
Cribbage	14-Dec-24	244	Perth	18-Jan-25	406	01-Mar-25	236
Darts	07-Dec-24	174	Amprior	25-Jan-25	631	08-Mar-25	43
8-Ball	To District			01-Feb-25	423	15-Mar-25	353
Snooker	To District			To Provincial		22-Mar-25	25848
Senior Darts	01-Feb-25	240	Almonte	22-Feb-25	212	05-Apr-25	317
Youth Darts						26-Apr-25	0
Euchre	08-Feb-25	244	Perth	29-Mar-25	562	03-May-25	374
Shuffleboard	To District			22-Mar-25	623	24-May-25	50
Mixed Darts	12-Apr-25	192	Carleton Place	24-May-25	245	07-Jun-25	317
Washer Toss	31-May-25	616	West Carleton	21-May-25	240	26-Jul-25	345
Horseshoes	To District			19-Jul-25		08-Aug-25	608
Golf	14-Jun-25	95	Smiths Falls	12-Jul-25		06-Sep-25	547
Cornhole	05-Jul-25	638	Kanata	18-Aug-25			