

Executive Committee March 2026 Reports

President

- Hosted Valentines Fun Bingo on 14 Feb
 - It was a great success thanks to the efforts of Cde Pat Wasylenchuk
- Hosted Valentines Dinner and Dance on 14 Feb
 - It was also a huge success thanks to the efforts of Cde Coreen Pusiewich
- Received request from a dart league to play at our Branch on Monday nights
- Coordinated with Legion Manager and Thursday darts to arrange
- Received Dominion Convention warning order* (*Pre notice of events)
 - Reviewed, and elected to register 4 delegates, 1 for Zone 64, fees to be refunded to us, will utilize proxy voting if necessary
- Wayne Morrow offered to purchase our Fender portable PA system, as it has not been used for at least 7 years
 - I agreed to his offer as long as we would be allowed to borrow it if we ever needed it again
- Received formal request from PTSD group to use our facilities for meetings on Friday afternoons
 - Granted request to use our basement hall
- On February 28th we experienced a critical failure of one of our furnaces
 - It caused smoke to enter the building but damage was limited to the unit on the roof
 - Repair quote came in at 3500 dollars, I have put the repair on hold for now.
 - Obviously, our HVAC equipment is getting very old and showing signs of it's age
 - Maintenance costs are rising and we may need to look at cost feasible options in the future
- Hosted a Saturday Band night on 28 Feb, with more to follow
 - Band was well received but turnout was poor
 - Coreen has some great ideas to try and improve turnout for next band night on 18 April
 - We will continue to tweak them to see if they can work
- Attended District meeting on 7 March at Winnipeg Beach with Cde Stephane Guindon
- Snow golf held on 7 March; it was a great success thanks to the efforts of Cde Lisa G and all of her volunteers

Policy, By-Laws & Resolutions

- 2026 Policies
 - Voting to accept amendments posted in this meeting (General Meeting March 14th)
- 2026 By-Laws
 - Honours and Awards eligibility section of our By-Laws does not align with Dominion Command, so "Motion of intent" to post amendment to align eligibility criteria to be presented this meeting (General Meeting March 14th)

Treasurer/Financial

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE RCL BRANCH 215 RCL - HENDERSON BRANCH FEBRUARY 28, 2026					
	ACTUAL FEBRUARY 2026	BUDGET 2026	ACTUAL 2025	ACTUAL 2024	ACTUAL 2023
Bar Sales	47,566.05	330,000.00	309,842.18	311,435.68	323,974.09
Cost of Bar Sales	(24,361.21)	(158,400.00)	(152,442.20)	(150,344.60)	(153,340.88)
Gross Profit on Bar Sales	23,204.84	171,600.00	157,399.98	161,091.08	170,633.21
Other Income					
Video Lottery Terminals	15,006.60	82,000.00	83,761.10	80,250.50	73,109.25
Fundraisers (net)	11,341.14	70,000.00	70,795.79	62,406.42	75,803.33
Dance Admissions	5,286.00	40,000.00	38,753.35	46,871.00	44,366.50
Memberships	1,562.82	20,000.00	19,964.58	16,895.40	17,997.94
Hall Rentals	3,132.85	25,000.00	24,730.70	24,339.52	20,888.55
Restaurant lease	3,300.00	19,800.00	19,800.00	18,900.00	15,783.00
Canada Day Event		11,000.00	10,958.30	11,568.35	9,639.75
Special Events (net)	277.61	5,000.00	4,458.69	1,689.57	1,634.55
Sports activities	451.75	6,000.00	5,342.13	4,359.65	4,979.69
Commissions	1,694.62	9,000.00	9,936.19	9,652.62	10,311.95
Other Income	2,746.29	14,000.00	13,147.69	15,966.49	18,625.69
Donations	-	2,500.00	2,835.50	3,546.60	3,903.20
Total Income	68,004.52	475,900.00	461,884.00	457,537.20	467,677.01
Expenses					
Staff costs	31,241.71	191,000.00	193,196.32	194,413.14	174,920.83
Dance Bands	4,381.71	32,000.00	30,818.56	36,066.42	31,567.44
Utilities and taxes	7,440.74	43,000.00	44,926.04	41,154.29	45,558.78
Repairs and maintenance	8,291.62	35,000.00	34,016.49	55,051.24	37,190.95
Cleaning and Janitorial	9,146.34	45,000.00	46,723.64	43,416.46	37,298.17
Insurance, licenses and permits	5,779.47	35,000.00	36,815.20	33,029.00	28,503.45
Conventions		500.00	140.00		
Command membership assessment	1,309.34	14,000.00	13,608.29	12,260.18	13,903.99
Bursaries		1,000.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Donations		8,500.00	7,950.00	7,320.00	8,020.00
Office Operations	1,007.18	4,000.00	6,408.86	2,530.83	3,434.96
Special activities	97.15	2,500.00	2,736.65	1,912.16	1,563.02
Sports activities	582.48	3,500.00	3,062.11	2,970.50	4,508.96
Advertising and promotion	160.36	2,500.00	2,175.02	1,501.40	2,116.00
IT & Website	350.00	600.00	434.38	670.64	383.55
Ceremonial		700.00	506.47	1,179.75	1,544.85
Volunteer Appreciation	313.00	4,500.00	4,482.27	3,660.75	4,386.37
Professional fees, bank charges and other	4,017.96	8,000.00	8,217.30	6,928.20	6,981.47
Canada Day Expenses		6,000.00	5,564.01	4,135.38	5,828.21
Sick Visiting		100.00	45.45	125.04	300.00
Total Expenses	74,119.06	437,400.00	462,827.66	449,825.38	\$ 409,551.00
Operational Profit(loss) before amortization & subsidy	(6,114.54)	38,500.00	19,056.94	7,711.82	58,126.01
Federal Govt Carbon Tax Rebate			1,870.00	6,565.00	
Sector Support Program					
Profit (loss) before Amortization	(6,114.54)	38,500.00	20,926.94	14,276.82	58,126.01
Amortization		(30,000.00)	(32,422.75)	(29,847.01)	(30,555.76)
Net Profit (loss) for the year	(6,114.54)	8,500.00	(11,495.81)	(15,570.19)	27,570.25

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
HENDERSON HIGHWAY BRANCH 215**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (unaudited)
AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

	\$ 2026	\$ 2025
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and short-term deposits	172,506	188,806
Account Receivable		
Deposit Account and accrued interest		
Prepaid expenses	29,683	6,805
Inventory	24,597	25,060
	<u>226,786</u>	<u>220,671</u>
CAPITAL ASSETS	<u>510,671</u>	<u>510,671</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>737,457</u>	<u>731,342</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and other liabilities	28,740	17,027
Deferred revenue	2,910	
Deferred Tower	6,790	9,184
	<u>38,440</u>	<u>26,211</u>
FUND BALANCES		
Investment in capital assets	510,671	510,671
Reserves	100,000	100,000
Unrestricted net assets	88,346	94,460
	<u>699,017</u>	<u>705,131</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>737,457</u>	<u>731,342</u>
ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION HENDERSON HIGHWAY BRANCH 215		

Honours & Awards

- An inventory of Pins was completed February 16 2026 and additional pins were ordered March 10 2026
- A review of Branch membership was done and all parties were identified that qualified for anniversary pins ie; 5 yr 10 yr etc and these will be distributed at a later date

Ways & Means

- No Report

Service Officer

- No Report

Sgt-at-Arms

- No Report

Bar & Staff

- No Report

House & Property

- No Report

Restaurant

- No Report

1st Vice President

- On behalf of our President, I attended the zone meeting on February 5, 2026 and presented 215 legions report
 - Meeting was attended by all legions of zone 64 at #9 Elmwood Legion
 - Next zone meeting will be September 6
- Wall of Honour Display
 - A new display is planned for the 100th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Legion
 - Vintage items are wanted/needed for it
 - Old poppies, poppy boxes, old legion medals, caps, bar items etc
 - The display will be in place until end of August after the Dominion command convention

Complaints

- No Report

Membership

- Membership as of February 28th = 635
- Centenary members = 172

Public Relations

- A list of all events planned for the month of March were sent to Donna Maxwell at the East St. Paul Newsletter
 - She created an eye-catching display of these events which is included in the March issue

Special Events

- Valentine's Dinner & Dance February 14th:
 - The dinner and dance was a successful event with 79 attendees
 - Feedback indicated that the food was excellent, the atmosphere was enjoyable, and the band kept the dance floor active throughout the evening.
 - Planning Notes and Recommendations for 2027:
 - Attendance will be set at 100 to 110 guests
 - The side door will be locked to better control access

- Tables will be removed from the dance floor to provide more space for dancing
- The two long tables; the middle table will be removed due to excessive heat in that area
- Round-tables near the band will be used for dinner seating
- Window tables will remain available for guests who prefer to sit away from the band after dinner
- Event timing will remain the same:
 - Cocktails: 6:00 PM ▪ Dinner: 6:30 PM ▪ Band: 7:30 - 11:00 PM
- We will request the meat draw and fun bingo to start 30 minutes earlier at 2:30 PM to allow sufficient time for cleanup and setup before guests arrive
- Many guests shared positive comments upon departure and indicated they look forward to attending again next year
- Quiz Night – March 28th
 - Tickets are for sales \$20 each
 - Posters are displayed at the Legion and throughout East St Paul, including the community centre, curling club, 55+ Club and the community mailbox billboard
 - Additional Flyers are available for anyone willing to post them at local businesses
 - Prizes for the winning team will be finalized shortly
- Canada Day Celebrations:
 - The first planning meeting was held with Michelle and Nicole
 - Sponsorship letters have been sent to previous sponsors, including:
 - RM of east Saint Paul
 - Lions Club
 - Lee's restaurant
 - PW Trucking
 - Able Concrete
 - Raffle prizes are nearly finalized, and the tickets will be ordered soon
 - Letters have been sent to community delegates inviting them to speak at the opening ceremonies
 - The RM of East St Paul Fire Department has confirmed participation
 - A Donation Participation Chart and letter were sent to all legion members
 - \$200 in donation has been received to date
 - An amended letter noting e-transfer availability has been created and posted on the website
 - The online 50/50 raffle is now live
 - New activities under consideration include:
 - Children's decorated bike parade on Devries
 - Petting zoo
 - Outdoor vendors (Further details to follow)
- Snow Golf{
 - Snow cough was held last weekend
 - Lisa shared the following message:

“Thank you to everyone that donated bottles for prizing and to the volunteers as well to all the serving staff and Lee’s for feeding everyone”

Poppy Fund – TO BE VOTED ON AT MARCH 16th GENERAL MEETING

Campaign from October 31st to November 11th 2025

- Henderson #215 has various means collecting for the Poppy Campaign. For example:
 - There are 14 schools, within our designated area, who participated in donations
 - Volunteers were at Sobey's Birdshell, Safeway River East and No Frills McIvor Mall.
 - This year, we used 3 debit/credit card (POS) machines
 - Which generated \$3524.75
- The accounting for tag days, commercial route, schools and donations totalled \$27,794.35. T
- As of November 28, 2025 there was \$29,276.68 in the Poppy Trust Fund
 - \$12,500 has been determined to be held in the reserve fund to cover the 2026 Poppy Campaign expenses:
 - Veteran's dinner, poppy campaign supplies, school prizes, and a contingency fund
 - Poster/literary school contest:
 - All 77 entries were judged as per RCL guidelines
 - 7 winners which were forwarded to zone for judging
 - 1 of the 7 judged by zone, has moved forward to district judging for its literary merit
- 2025 Expenses:

◦ Victoria Lifeline	\$ 771.20
◦ Veteran's Dinner (October 5, 2025)	\$1951.90
◦ Veteran's Dinner (wine)	\$ 213.50
◦ Poppy centre's, pins, car poppies	\$2336.25
◦ Poppy bracelets	\$ 255.00
◦ Poppy stickers	\$ 354.00
◦ Lapel Poppies	\$3208.03
◦ POS debit machine rentals	\$ 44.80
◦ Labelle's Printing	<u>\$ 106.40</u>
▪ Total	\$9241.08
- Breakdown of proposed donations

◦ Deer Lodge Foundation	\$ 2500
◦ Homeless Veterans	\$ 2000
◦ Legion Housing for Veterans	\$ 2000
◦ Veterans Transition Network	\$ 2000
◦ Cadets (Fort Garry Horse)	\$ 1500
◦ Military Family Resources	\$ 2000
◦ Red Rose Ranch	<u>\$ 4500</u>
▪ Total	\$16,500
- Reserve for 2026 Poppy Campaign

◦ School Contest Prizes	\$1000
◦ 2026 campaign supplies	\$5000
◦ 2026 Veteran's dinner	\$5000
◦ Contingency	<u>\$1500</u>
▪ Total	\$12,500

Entertainment

- Dance night on Thursday's are going well
- One Thursday, due to blowing snow, attendance was low

Sick & Visiting

- No Report

Sports:

- No Report