

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Veterans' Association
Central Vancouver Island Division
APRIL 2023

MINUTES

Lunch/Meeting: Saturday, April 1st, 2023 at 11 am for meet & greet and at noon for lunch/meeting. Eagles Hall, 1999 14 Avenue, Campbell River, BC.

Call to Order: by President Gilles CHIASSON at 11:56

Motion to Approve/Modify/Add to the Agenda:

The President added "The Quarterly" in Item 13

Motion by: Dave FREE

Seconded by: Irwin AXNESS

Carried

Singing of O Canada led by Barney BERNARD

Welcoming of Visiting Members/Guests:

John TURNER

Stuart PURNEY

Carol Hooper, daughter of Madeline and Peter GRAHAM

Dianne Boyd

Welcome to Ray THOROGOOD new member. The President asked Ray to give a brief summary of his career.

Remembrance & Grace: Chaplain Charlie Massey

Remembrance of Police Officers killed on duty:

Sgt. Maureen BREAU, QPF

Cst. Travis JORDAN, Edmonton Police

Cst. Brett RYAN, Edmonton Police

Remembrance of CVI members that have passed:

Michael CLEGG

Don MARCHAND

Christopher SANCHEZ

William BELL

Remembrance of Tracy HARDY's Dad.

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Names of Recipients of Service Bars Called Out

Deferred to next meeting; Bryan is still updating his list.

Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Motion by: Josh PURNEY
Seconded by: Ken SNYDER
Carried

Approval of the Minutes of February 11th, 2023

Motion by: Larry STRIGHT
Seconded by: Ken SNYDER
Carried

Old Business

The RCMP's 150th Anniversary (update) – President & Irwin Axness
Irwin reports that we still need some more prints for the 150th presentations.

National has contacted all Division Presidents to promote attendance at the upcoming AGM, since their numbers are short of expectation. To minimize the impact on CVI's budget, our President has declined to attend. However, since Keith TRAIL will be attending the AGM at his own expenses, a decision was made by the Executive Team to support Keith by allowing him \$1,000 as CVI's representative.

Adjournment for Lunch : 12:10

Recalling Meeting to Order: 12:54

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New Business

Secretary's Report - Jaak KOOSEL- Nil report

Treasurer's Report - Rick STEELE- Finances are in good shape. Eighteen membership renewals have yet to be paid. The paid renewals reflect 92% of the membership. March financial report is attached.

Membership Officer's Report - Ken HANDY-Two new members for February; Ray THOROGOOD, and Ed RAAFLAUB.

Quartermaster's Report - Bryan WALKER (absent). Brent reported that Bryan has shipped out the latest batch of nametags. If you have not already received your recent order, it should be arriving soon.

Directors' Reports

Duncan – Brent BLANCHARD- Arnie KRENZ received a CVI fruit basket while he was in hospital. Arnie is out of the hospital and in great shape. Brent read out a thank you card from Arnie.

Nanaimo – David ALDERSON- Reported the passing of Mike CLEGG and circulated a copy of Mike's obituary.

Parksville/Qualicum – Ken AZZOPARDI- Advised that the snowbirds are leaving for Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Port Alberni – Steve VATAMANIUK- The fish are not running until early June

Courtenay/Comox – Mary KOSTASHUK (absent)- nil report

Campbell River – Barney BERNARD – Thanked the kitchen staff for a great meal, and thanked everyone for coming to Campbell River. Bonnie and Glen Barrie sent their greetings. Bonnie advises that Glen not doing well. Maureen Hall advises that Dick has been to Victoria for radiation etc and is slowing down. Barney related an account of an elderly lady's testimony in court.

Larry STRIGHT advises that weekly coffee meetings occur on Wednesdays 10 am at the downtown Tim Hortons in Campbell River.

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Correspondence and Anything for the Good of the Association

Gilles reported that Ted SISK, a veteran from Calgary and a member of The Quarterly's editorial committee has asked for assistance in promotion subscriptions to the magazine, which is published by the RCMP. Information and a subscription poster are attached.

Birthday Wishes this Month

Wayne FLEWELL
Molly MORAN
Sal SALMINEN
Cal LEGASSICKE
Gary COLDHAM
Dave ALDERSON
Phillip BANKS
Bryan WALKER
Philip HUMPHRIES
Allen MUYRES

Gail JOHANNES
Geoff WIGGINS
Keith TRAIL
Burke BULLOCK
Marvin BRETTELL
Curt ACHESON
Cam DAVIDSON
Johnny EWANKIW
Earla-Kim McCOLL
Randy PHILLIPS

Thanks to the Organizer, Kitchen Staff & Door Prize Givers : Barney BETRNARD

Next Meeting

Our next lunch/meeting will be held in Comox at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #160, 1825 Comox Avenue, Comox, BC, on Saturday, May 13, 2023.

Adjournment

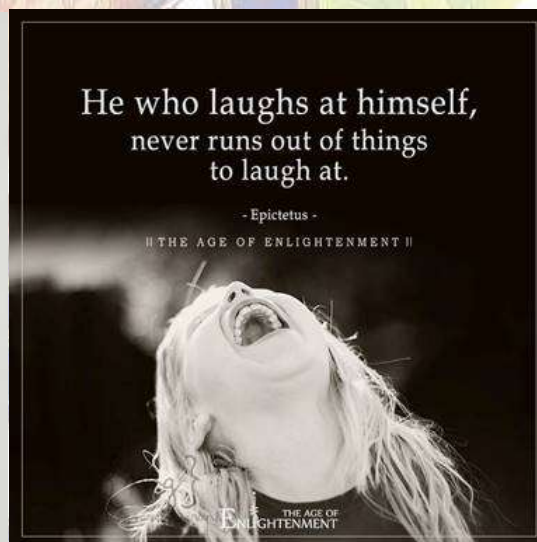
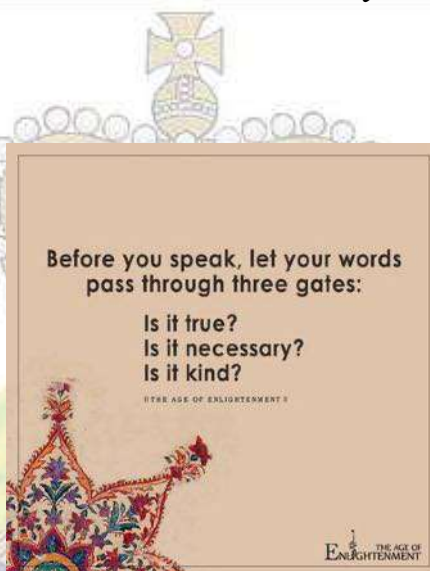
Motion by: Larry JOHANNES
Seconded by: Tony ANTONIUK
Carried: 13:12

Door Prizes: 13:18

Gilles Chiasson, President

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Pearls of Wisdom - *contributed by Irwin Axness*



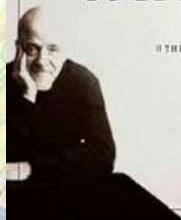
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"One day, you will wake up
and there won't be any more
time to do the things
you've always wanted.
DO IT NOW."

- Paulo Coelho

|| THE AGE OF ENLIGHTENMENT ||



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ENLIGHTENMENT

"My father said there were
two kinds of people in the
world: givers and takers.
The takers may eat better,
but the givers sleep better."

Marlo Thomas

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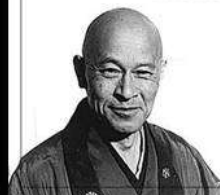


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Leave your front door
and your back door open.
Allow your thoughts to
come and go.
Just don't serve them tea.

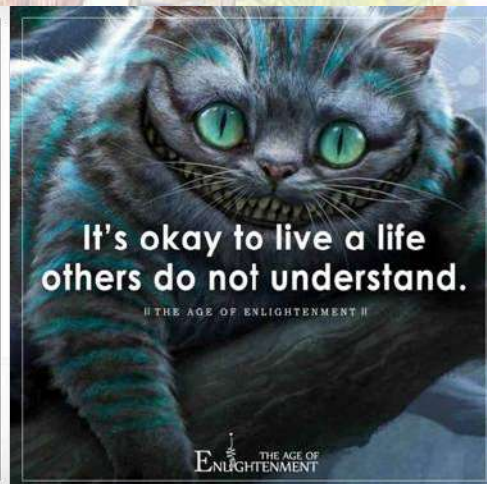
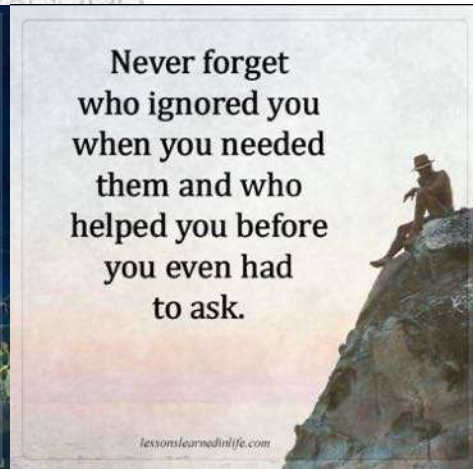
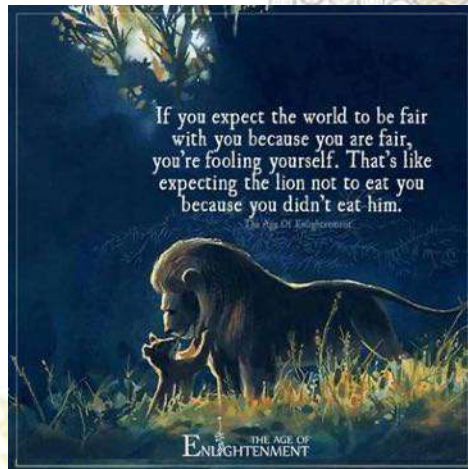
- Shunryu Suzuki -

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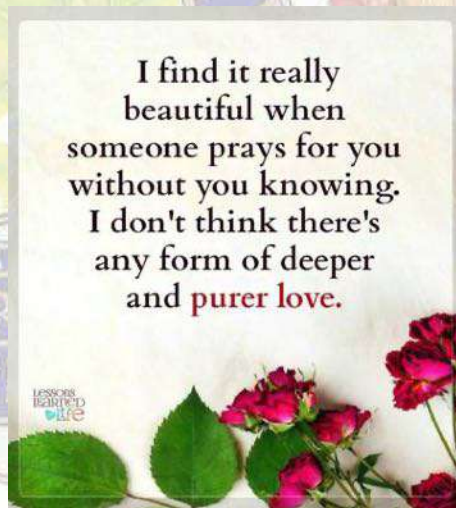
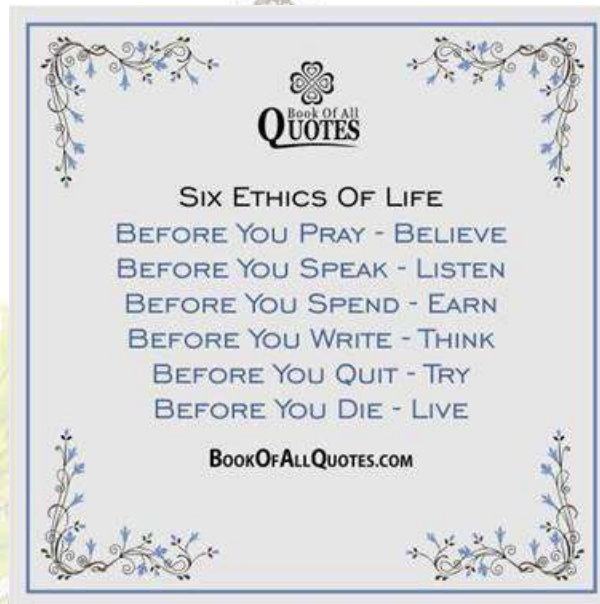


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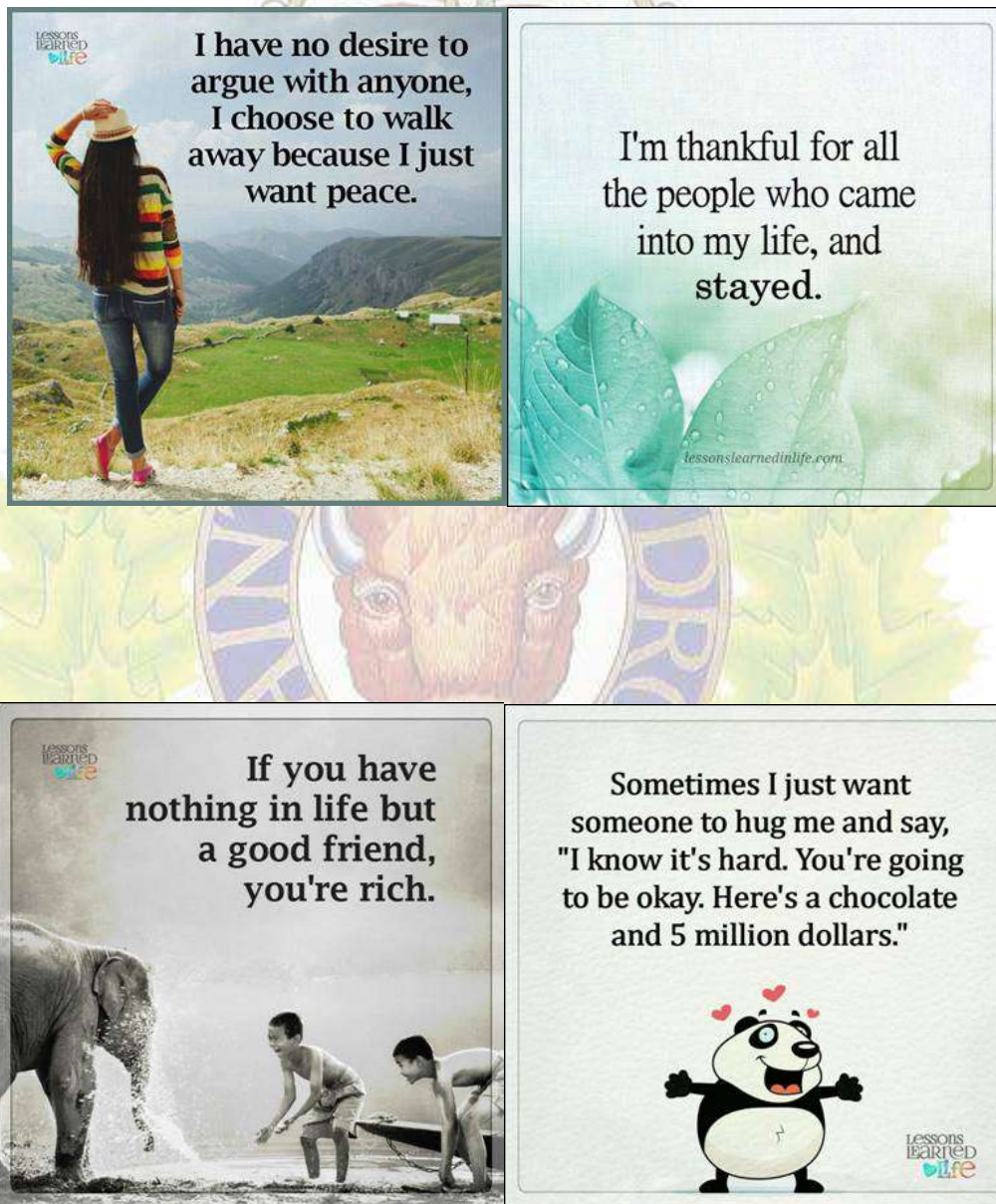
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and in closing . . .

Today will never come again.

Be a blessing.

Be a friend.

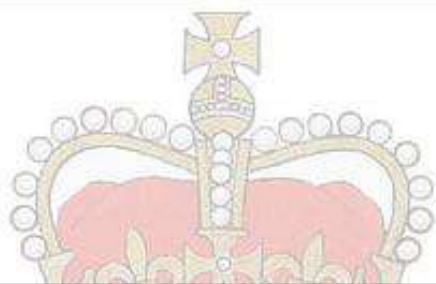
Encourage someone.

Take time to care.

Let your words heal and
not wound.

LESSONS
LEARNED
life

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Luncheon Photos



President Gilles Chiasson

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New Member Ray Thorogood



Barney Bernard, Campbell River Director Brent Blanchard, Duncan Director

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Steve Vatamaniuk Port Alberni Director



Dave Alderson, Nanaimo Director



Rick Steele, Treasurer



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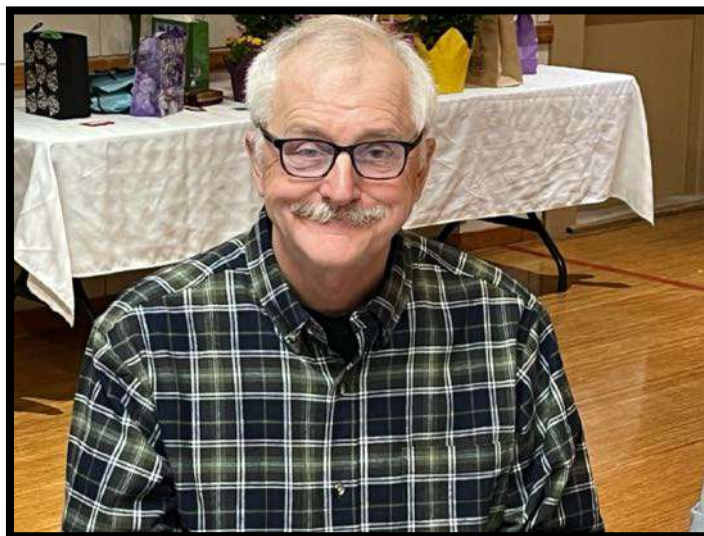


Ken Azzopardi, Parksville/Qualicum Director

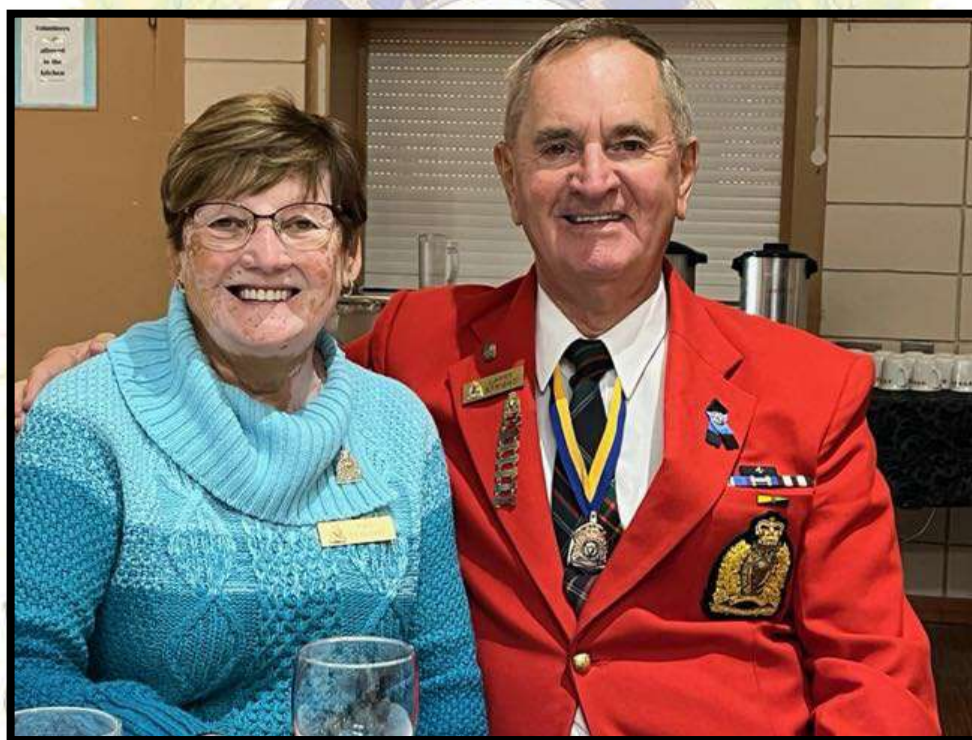


Ken Handy, Membership Appointee

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Jaak Koosel, Secretary



Pat & Larry Stright celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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Carol Hooper with mom & dad, Madeline & Peter Graham



Dianne & Lorne Slemko

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Jenny & Herb Schmidt



Roy Pickell

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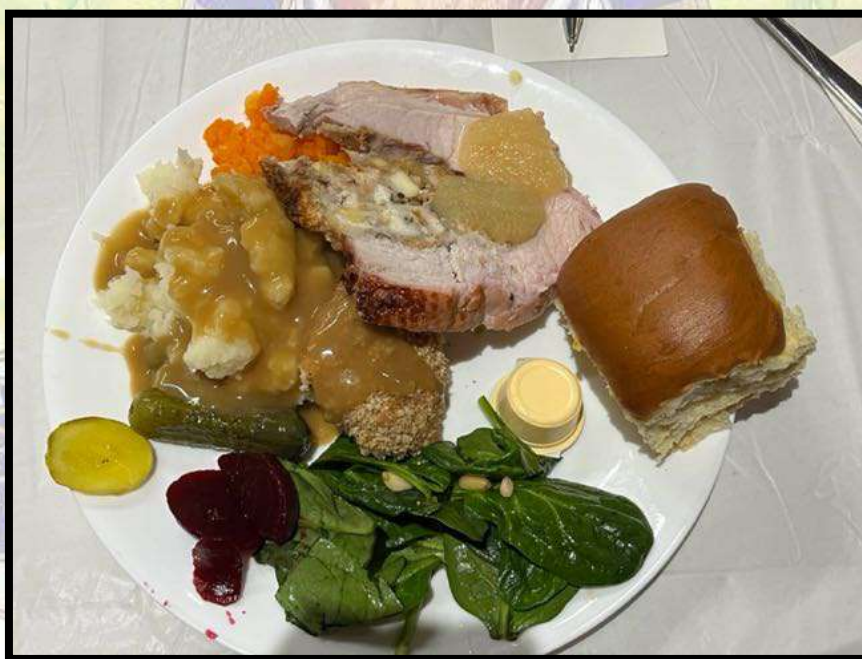
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Table Decoration



Meal

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Coffee Clubs on Vancouver Island and Powell River

Campbell River: Tim Hortons at 1000 hours on Wednesdays.

Courtenay/Comox: Best Western Westerly Hotel, 1590 Cliffe Avenue every Wednesday @ 0930 hours.

Duncan: York Street Diner, 5859 York Road - Mondays @1000 hours.

Nanaimo: Woodgrove Mall Food Court Wednesdays @ 1000 hours.

Parksville/Qualicum: Thursdays at 0930 hours in the Parksville Curling Club Lounge.

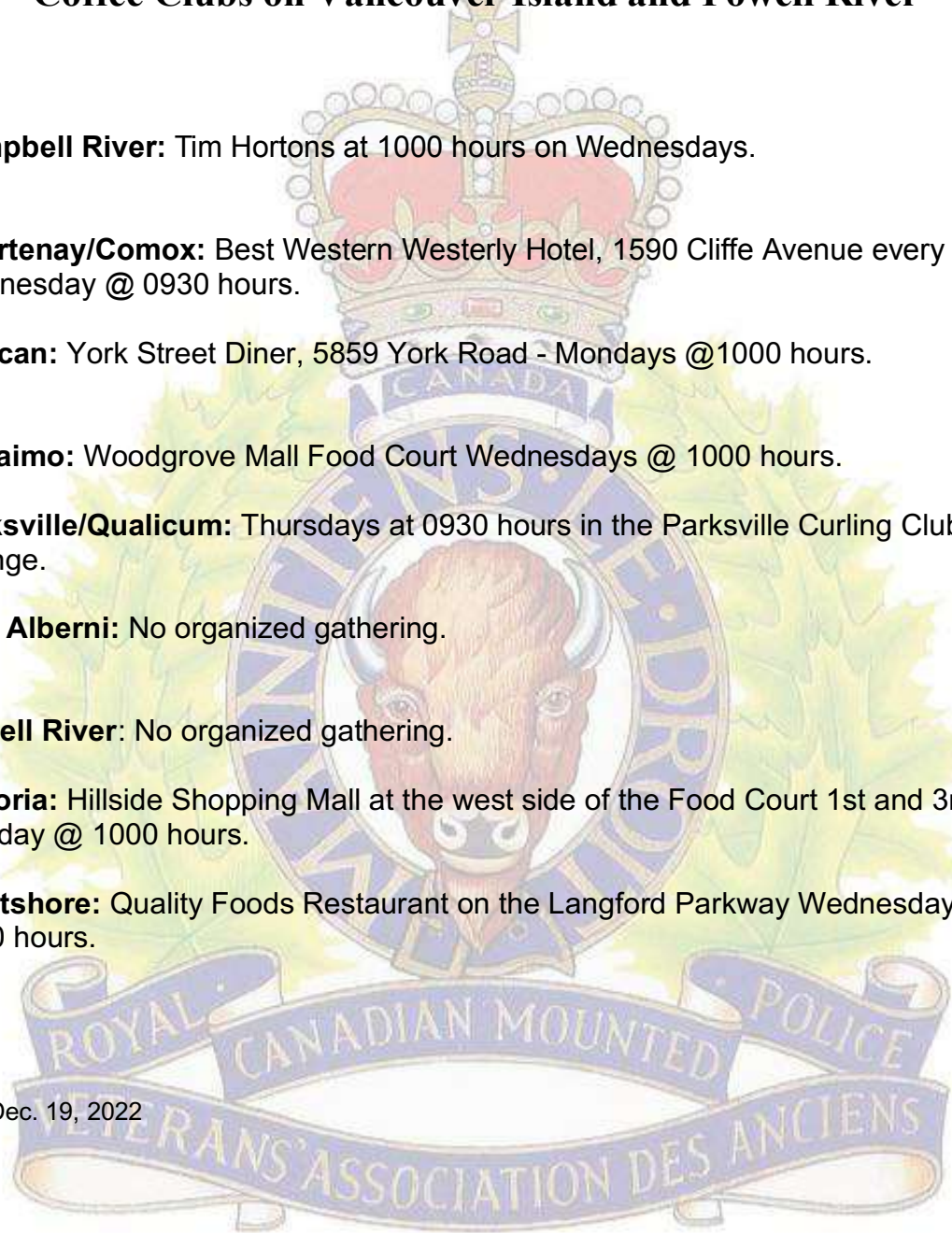
Port Alberni: No organized gathering.

Powell River: No organized gathering.

Victoria: Hillside Shopping Mall at the west side of the Food Court 1st and 3rd Monday @ 1000 hours.

Westshore: Quality Foods Restaurant on the Langford Parkway Wednesdays @ 0830 hours.

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COMMITTEES/APPOINTMENTS

Benefits	Gilles Chiasson / Sheryl Armstrong
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Database Administrator	Keith Trail
Membership	Ken Handy
Newsletter/Webmaster	Steve McKenna
Quartermaster	Bryan Walker
Grave Location & Maintenance	Len Jerrit
Fan Out	Terry Hluska
Honour Guard Coordinators	Gilles Chiasson / Sheryl Armstrong
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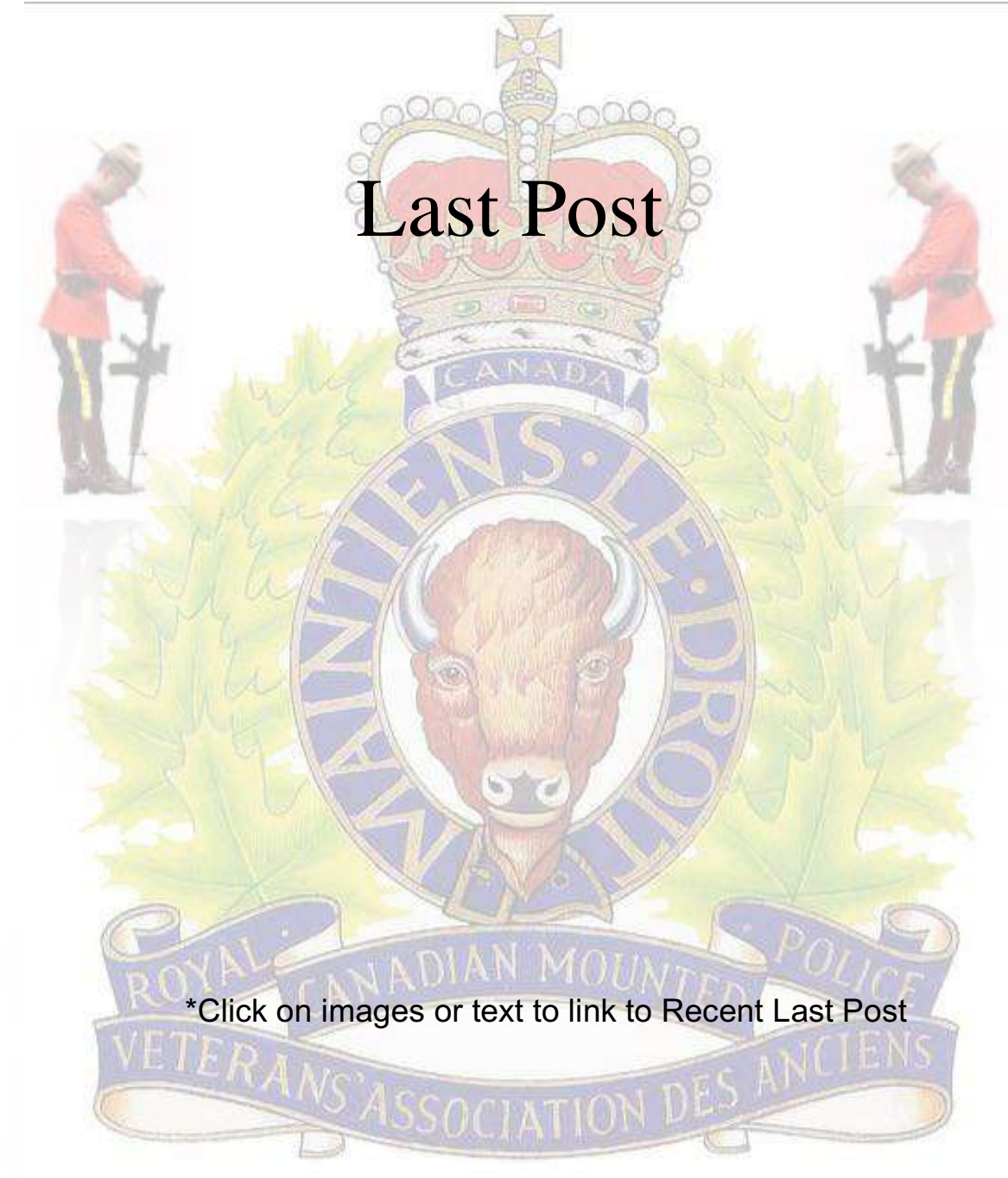
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GOVERNORS

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Financial Report
March 1 to 31, 2023

Balance Forward from **\$8,897.41**

Income

Membership	\$1,513.00
Interest from Short Term Investment	
Account 0989-9796-853	\$ 374.75
January Luncheon	\$2,552.00
Total Income	\$4,439.75

Expenses

Remittance to National	\$1,200.00
Comfort	\$ 87.33
Payment for Luncheon	\$2,380.00
Total Expenses	\$3,667.33

General Account Balance **\$9,669.83**

Short Term Investment 0989-9796-853 **\$17,034.68**

Short Term Investment 0989-9796-975 **\$10,000.00**

Total **\$ 36,704.51**

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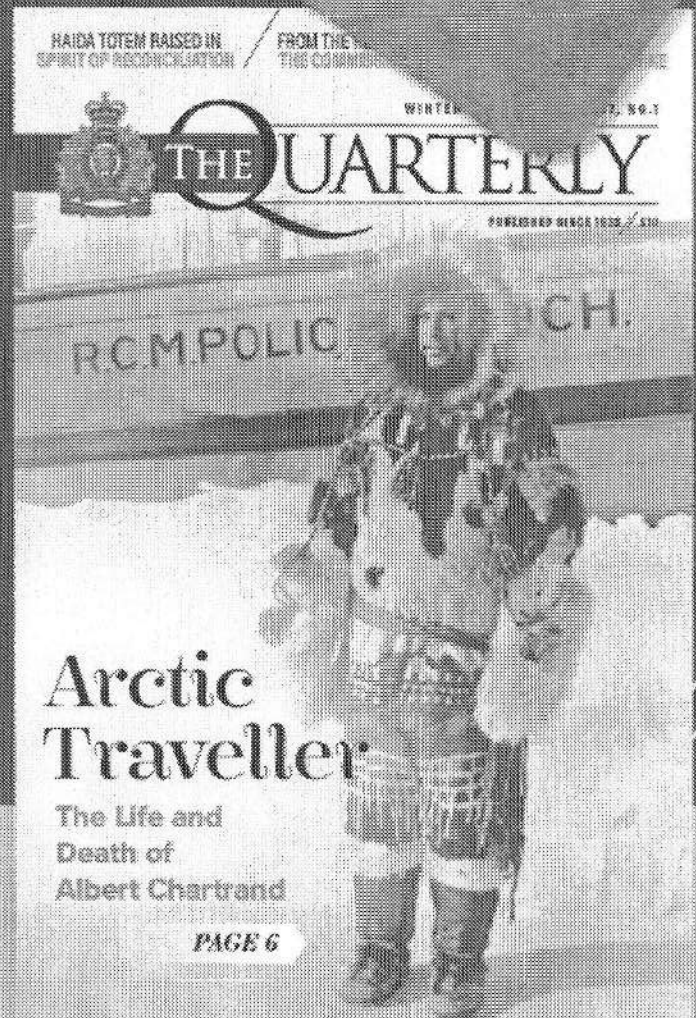
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The Quarterly aims to keep the police community of the past and present connected and to continue to build on the legacy. While we can learn from what others did before us, we can also leave something behind for future generations.

Since its origins in 1933, the objective of The Quarterly is to highlight the tradition and to tell the stories from past and present about the RCMP.

The RCMP Veterans' Association assumed the responsibility for the publication of The Quarterly from the RCMP in October 1999 to keep it alive and vibrant.

The Quarterly is a tool for police officers, veterans, historians, and students to learn from the past, to keep up with policing trends and to share on programs, events and activities.»

Our readership is approximately 50/50 retired and serving members.

- The magazine also appeals to those who support the aims of law enforcement, including academics, police academies, libraries, etc.
- It is a not-for-profit publication, staffed mainly by volunteers.
- It is one of the few remaining print police journals; many readers like its tangibility and large glossy colour photos.
- the magazine provides a good blend of the current comings-and-goings, while showcasing the Force's rich history and culture over the past 150 years.