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# President's Report



Good morning, Comrades

It's hard to believe that May is almost over with.

I just recently came back from meetings in Kamloops, where our new Provincial President is our very own Ed Emerick #302 member.

1st Vice—Nickolas Newell

2nd Vice—Alfred Woo

3rd Vice—David Smyth

4th Vice—Mike McDonald

Past President—Randy Williams

There were a total of 52 delegates at this convention which is down from previous years.

The next Dominion convention will be in Sherbrook Quebec September 8-11, 2024.

ANAVETS Housing received a grant of \$44,000

Our Unit is doing extremely well in membership and also financially. Our new heat pumps have been installed on the roof, the office administrator has her new computer that is making her work load a lot easier.

Don Hinse

President

Sidney Unit 302

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## Meat Draw Report

Hello Comrades.

It has been just over 3 months since I took over the Meat Draw Chair.

It has been a great learning experience for me.

Meat draws & 50 / 50 have been doing excellent, most Fridays have been packed & ticket sales are great.

I would like to thank a few people for the help I have been getting during this period of me taking the chair.

Sally Nalleweg for her help with teaching me how to order the meat & get all the paperwork in order & Dion for his help bagging the meat & setting up tables on Friday & Saturday when I can't make it because of my work load.

Thank you

Yours in service.

Ray Moore

Meat draw.

# At the March Meeting



## Initiations

At the March 19th, 2023 general meeting Unit 302 welcomes new members as they are initiated:

L to r: Dawn Nedzelski, Louise Lansdowne, Gordon McIntyre (Active), Debbie Moore,  
Catherine Boudewyn and James Boudewyn

Once initiated at ANAVETS Sidney unit 302 at the general meeting, members receive their Association pin and, have a voice and a vote at general and special meetings.

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## Happy 100th Birthday



### Beryl Pearce

I am please to share with you, a happy 100th Birthday to Beryl Pearce on March 7th, 2023. Beryl was a long time ACTIVE member of ANAVETS Sidney Unit 302 having served in the Royal Navy during WWII (1944 to 1946) in Ireland and Britain and, decorated with the War Medal Service. Beryl now resides in Qualicum Beach.

Submitted by Don Fisher

Beryl Pearce with Great Granddaughter at a Remembrance Day ceremony.

Photo submitted

## Membership Report



Comrade president, Comrades all.

Membership is doing extremely well so far this year, we have the highest membership in B.C.

We still need to encourage people to join our great club. so talk to family and friends and let them know all we have to offer.

I helped out on Mothers day with special events chair Mel , for her first event she did a great job. Well done Mel.

I marched in the May Day parade with Randy. It went very well. I must admit I was disappointed with the turnout from 302. I do understand that we are getting older but we do have some younger members who can march. Please, think about helping out at the next parade . The May Day Parade is a great way to get our name out there.

Thank you  
Johanna Emerick  
Membership Chair

## House and Grounds



Canadian flag has been repaired. Peacekeepers flag pole pulley has been ordered and will be repaired soon; just waiting on the availability from the Sidney Fire Department to assist us.

The flooring behind the bar is in bad shape and will be replaced with new flooring in late spring.

The dance floor will be getting resurfaced late spring.

The flooring at the entrance, in front of the bar to the kitchen; will hopefully get replaced also. These tiles are old and showing wear; it's time to move on from the 1980's.

It's time to show some love and appreciation to this unit and stop the neglect. Let's pass this unit to the next generation with a fresh look and pride.

Ed Cernius  
House & Grounds

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## Finance Report



Comrades,

I am happy to report our club is progressing very well. Compared to last year (April 30-2022) our Bar sales are up. Costs are up significantly but we are holding our own. As of April 30<sup>th</sup>. our general account was \$157,787.81. The gaming account was \$36,667.26, and our G.I.C were \$102,500.95.

That is my report. I hope everyone has a great and safe summer.

Sally Nalleweg  
Finance Chair

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## Sports Report



Hello Comrades.

I am proud to be back as sports chair.

First thing was crib playdowns to see who goes to Vernon. It has been done with the winners Don Hinse and Al Cooper along with Georgie Schmidt and Francine Michaud. Hope you have fun.

Next is golf. As the year goes on there will be many more events that I will "lose" at, such as bocce, mini golf, and bowling.

New and old membes, take advantage of these events. We have a real fun group.

Hope to see you at any or all of these events.

Mike Dustin  
Unit Sports

# Cracked Pot

An elderly Chinese woman had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole, which she carried across her neck.

One of the pots had a crack in it, while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water.

At the end of the long walks from the stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived only half full.

For a full two years this went on daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water.

Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments.

But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be bitter failure, it spoke to the woman one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house."

The old woman smiled, "Did you notice that there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side?"

"That's because I have always known about your flaw, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back, you water them."

"For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table.

Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house."

Each of us has our own unique flaw. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding.

You've just got to take each person for what they are and look for the good in them.

Have a great day and remember to smell the flowers on your side of the path!