



## *Clarion May 2024 Clarion*

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# President's Report



Comrades

Everything is running smoothly at the Club.

Taxes have been forwarded to the city. Jim Davison prepared all paper work involved. Big thanks to him. Hopefully we will get our exemption.

Congratulations to Bob Jones who has been appointed to the Board of Trustees.

We had an excellent turn out for the members only meat draw and dinner. Thanks to all volunteers.

Unit 302 will be celebrating our 75th anniversary on July 13, 2024. Please come and enjoy special entertainment and food and more.

I would like to thank Lori (the office administrator) who resigned earlier this month, for all her hard work and, wish her all the best.

Three executives and myself went to the provincial convention in Vernon in April. It was my first convention and I gained a lot of useful information. Our Unit will be sending 9 delegates to the Dominion convention in September held in Sherbrooke Quebec.

I hope everyone has a great and safe summer.

Thank you to all volunteers and helpers

Don Love  
President

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## Finance Report



Good morning Comrades,

Spring has finally sprung, and we are just sailing along. The club is doing very well. Membership is up, the bar is doing great, averaging about \$1,400.00 per day in sales. General account, as of April 30<sup>th</sup>

is \$98,311.61, down a bit due to a new water tank. Gaming is \$52,126.45 and G.I.C.'s are at \$115,360.00.

Wishing you all a happy and safe summer.

Sally Nalleweg  
Finance

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## Entertainment Report



Good morning Comrades

I am pleased to see the members are enjoying the Friday night entertainment.

I have tried to mix it up for you.

I have found some new bands who would like to play here, so I am trying some out.

On June 22nd we will be having some special entertainment. June Carter and Johnny Cash. Tickets

are on sale at the bar \$20.00 in advance or \$25.00 at the door.

In September we will have another special entertainment.

Anyone with a request for something special please come and see me.

Johanna Emerick  
Entertainment Chair

# Meat Draw Report



Good morning, Comrades.

Well, we started our Wednesday Meat draws on April 3rd 2024 & as of the end of the month after expenses the total of the ticket sales & 50 / 50 was a profit of \$540.72.

April profit was \$ 6079.02

I am also very concerned about burning out our very loyal volunteers who are doing things for our meat draws as we are asking them to step up once again to man the tables for Wednesdays.

We really need an influx of new volunteers.

With 900 + members now, about 3% of them do 95% of the work.

A very special thank you to Terry Parent for always making sure that we have everything staffed for all our draws. She spends a lot of time getting names & emailing them for every event. I couldn't do this without her.

I am looking forward to a great summer.

Yours in service

Ray Moore  
Meat Draw Exec.

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## Special Events Report



Hello Comrades.

Mothers Day was my first official function. It went extremely well.

We had a great crew in the kitchen, Crystal, Johanna, Ray & myself & our 2 new servers Tom & Michael were amazing. Pat Baxter was co-ordinating & on Champagne & OJ, Sally did set up & ticket sales & Don Love gave out flowers to all the mothers. Everyone helped to breakdown & cleanup. We had so many great comments about the food.

I want to send a special thank you to Terry & Sally for always being there to help at a moments notice.

None of this would be possible without the dedicated volunteers who help us.

Debbie Moore  
Special Events Exec.

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### The following were some comments made in 1957, in the good old days:

"If they raise the minimum wage to \$1, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store."

"When I first started driving, who would have thought gas would someday cost 29 cents a gallon. Guess we'd be better off leaving the car in the garage,"

"Kids today are impossible. Those ducktail hair cuts make it impossible to stay groomed. Next thing you know, boys will be wearing their hair as long as the girls

# Publicity Report



I'd like to open with a huge thank you to all of you who have helped me in this position. Don Fisher has been a great source of advice and his continuing work on the Clarion, calendars, and all the other publications he is involved in is appreciated by all.

Randy Evans has been a huge help with posting our events on Facebook.

Peninsula News Review sent us an invite to place an ad in their "51 things to do in Sidney" which has now been published.

We also received an invitation to participate in a C.A.R.E. fair put on by the Canadian Federation of University Women, Saanich Peninsula. This is a one-day event being held on June 6 at Mary Winspear during BC Seniors Week. They have offered us a booth at no cost. This fair will pro-

vide a forum for seniors and their care-giver families to gather information on local activities and services available. It will also be free to attend. Don Fisher is going to help with putting together some brochures to give out. It runs from 10am to 5pm – if anyone is willing to do a one- or two-hour shift at the table (in uniform) it would be greatly appreciated.

The Torque Masters have invited us to have a tent/table in their annual car show on Aug. 4. Again, if anybody could do an hour or two at the table it would be great.

You may have noticed we have some new signage up in the main lounge. Martin Heeley will still be doing the special event banners. Thank you, Martin!

This year the Club is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Saturday, July 13 is set for the event. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

Holly McKay,  
Publicity

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## Sidney ANAVETS Celebrates 75 years



A.N.A&F. (ANAVETS ) Sidney Museum Unit is celebrating 75 years in Sidney. Before WWII Sidney was still a small town of a few hundred people. The population grew after the war, in part by veterans from across Canada who had visited or served in the area. Early in 1949 several ex-service friends met in private homes to discuss the formation of a mutually beneficial organization and agreed that Canada's oldest service group, the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada would fulfil their aims. On March 3, 1949 a Dominion Charter was granted to Sidney Unit 302 with 26 Charter members.

Today, membership in Sidney Unit 302 is approaching 1000 members on this 75th anniversary. With many activities like dancing, various live entertainment, big screen TV, meat draws, sports activities like bowling, bocce ball, horseshoes, games room darts, pool, shuffleboard, card games, kitchen and simply, a casual social atmosphere awaits daily. Mark your calendar for Saturday July 13th. Details coming!

Don Fisher



# Membership Report



Good Morning, Comrades

On April 21st we held a members only meat draw and dinner that was very well attended.. Special meats were ordered thanks to Ray Moore our meat draw chair and, a special dinner of spaghetti and meat sauce was catered by Special Events chair Debbie Moore. Sally Nalleweg & Johanna Emerick helped me out at the door as we took in new members and Sally additionally helped out calling the numbers at the meat draw. Thanks also to Terry Parent who gathered the volunteer ticket sellers. Thank you all for a very successful members only event.

## Initiations



Don Fisher Membership Chair presents Don Carscadden, Peter Watt, Len Pierce, Mai Pierce, Darlene Blanchette and Michael Doucet with their Association pins as they are initiated at the General Meeting March 17th, 2024.

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.

## ANAVETS Long Service Pin

Don Fisher presents the ANAVETS LONG SERVICE PIN to Dion Amyott for 15 consecutive years of membership in good standing. Dion also serves as the bar manager and has been doing so since 2014.

This award is presented at a general meeting to those members in good standing starting at five years and in increments of five years thereafter.

