

ARMY NAVY AND AIR FORCE VETERANS IN CANADA

UNIT 376, KELOWNA B.C.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: 1ST Vice President, Dave Pich, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. 2nd Vice Karen Ziegler read the Land Acknowledgement, Followed by the Singing of O Canada. A Silent Tribute was observed.

ROLL CALL: **Present:** , First VP Dave Pich, 2nd Vice President, Karen Ziegler, Past President Kathy Barber, Directors: Helene Fitzgerald, Darrell Unrau, Burpee Aitken, Harry Karpinsky, Ron Christiy

Excused: Stephen Walters, Bill Edwards

MINUTES Kathy Barber moved that the Minutes of December 20th General Meeting be adopted as posted. Seconded by Patti Burnett. **MOTION**

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

MEMBERSHIP: HELENE FITZGERALD

Helene Moved to accept the following for Membership: - Darci Bereza, Claudette Chase, Gunnar Forsstrom, Andrew Johnson, Stephen Fuhr, Pamela Kendall, Ken Kendall, Jake Letkenan, Cindy Redekopp, Lievwe Wierenga. Seconded by Mike Gagne. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Sgt. At Arms, Burpee Aitken marched those applicants who were present up to be initiated by Vice President Dave Pich. Once initiated they were escorted to the sign-in book and were then seated.

MEMBERSHIP COUNT: Helene Fitzgerald then reported on the Member Count as follows:- Active 13, Affiliate 12, Associate 27, and Life Members 4, for a total of 56 Members to-date.

It was moved by Helene Fitzgerald, Seconded by Phyllis Walters, to adopt the Membership Report.

MOTION

CARRIED.

FINANCE REPORT: Kathy Barber presented the Finance Report for the Month of December 2025 as well as the year-to-date January thru December, as well as the Welfare & Charity Account to-date.

Report as follows:- Operating & Shares \$15,757.17 Savings & Shares
\$2,966.33

For a total of \$ 18,723.50

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FINANCE CONT'D Welfare & Charity Account \$22,746.86 Commercial Loan \$31,346.61

Revenue for Dec. \$11,687.91 Expenses \$ 14,370.48

For a Deficit for the month of Dec. \$ -2,682.57

Year-to-date Revenue \$185,124.38 Total Expenses \$186,450.43

For a Year-to-date Deficit of \$ -1,326.05

Kathy moved the adoption of the Finance Report as read and presented.
Seconded by Burpee Aitkens.

MOTION CARRIED.

SGT AT ARMS: Burpee Aitken – NO REPORT

SPORTS: DAVE PICH

Dave reported that all regular sports have re-convened since the Christmas Break.

A Memorial Dart Shoot was held on January 10/26 at Vernon Unit. West Bank Legion is hosting a Dart Shoot February 7th at Lions Community Centre.

Regular Monday Pool and Darts have commenced.

Moneys held by the Ladies Auxiliary from the previous fishing derby's have been transferred back to the Units Account.

HOUSE REPORT: HARRY KARPINSKY

Harry reported that in between Christmas and New Year's the entire floors were stripped and three coats of sealant and two coats of wax were put on. He thanked Steve I& Phyllis Walters, Karen Ziegler, Helene and Calvin Fitzgerald for helping him. Also had to get new furnace ducts installed to the Office and Kitchen to prevent further damage to the furnace. The cost was approximately \$2,500.

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ENTERTAINMENT: KAREN ZIEGLER

Karen Reported Friday Karaoke is going very well as usual. Bingo on Sundays is mixed as to how many people come out, but we have our weekly regulars.

Our Christmas Dinner/Dance was a sell out and lots of fun. Pam Ferens was our entertainer and Pat Calado cooked a Roast beef dinner.

Our last minute decision to have a New Year's Eve Dance turned out excellent. It too was a sell out. Food platters were served instead of having a dinner and went over very well. Kelly Bellanger was our Entertainer and dance floor was busy all night.

A Valentine's Day dinner and dance is booked for February 14th. Pat Calado is cooking up Chicken Cordon Bleu for dinner. Glory Days will be entertaining. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and are already selling quickly. They can be obtained from the Bar. Only 50 Tickets available.

Karen moved the adoption of her Entertainment Report, Seconded by Phyllis Walters.

MOTION
CARRIED.

WAYS & MEANS: RON CHRISTY

Ron Christy reported that Meat Draws are going very well. Good Turn-outs.

PUBLICITY REPORT: DACE PICH

No Report

DVA BILL EDWARDS - No Report

BY-LAWS/SICK & VISITSING - DARRELL UNRAU

Darrell reported that a covering letter for the By-Law resolution has been forwarded to Provincial Command.

A question concerning the By-Law arose and it was reported it was a resolution passed at the previous General Meeting to raise the Executive's spending limit from \$300.00 to \$1,000.

Nothing to report under Sick & Visiting.

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LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT: WENDY FINDLAYSON

Meeting with Ladies Auxiliary was held January 14, 2026. Following items were discussed:-

Current Membership stands at 28 Regular and 2 Life Members. 4 Initiations were performed. Correspondence was received from the Cribbage players with much appreciation for lunch served during their Friday card games. Volunteers are always requested for kitchen duty and meat draws. We also let everyone know that we would like to have some volunteers from the Unit to participate if possible. LA Membership wishing to obtain their Food Safe certification are

encouraged to do so. They LA will pay 50% to them for taking the Course. Bake Sales have been successful and gratitude was extended to all who have been supportive with donations. We had a small amount of cash that had been retained for the Fishing Derby and the funds have been returned to the Unit along with some Gift Cards. The Gift Cards were returned to the LA to use for the Children's Christmas Party. The LA has requested to do a Twooney toss at the Valentine's day Party in February.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS NONE

GOOD & WELFARE NONE

ADJOURNMENT

All rose to acknowledge King Charles the III.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 P.M.

Next General Meeting scheduled February 21, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.